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## Fahd receives Zawawi



Crown Prince Fahd

TAIF, Sept. 25 (SPA) — Omani Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Qais al-Zawawi, arrived here Monday and had talks shortly afterwards with Crown Prince Fahd. Zawawi said his visit was part of the continuous process of coordination and cooperation between Oman and Saudi Arabia in the general interest of the two countries and the Arab nation.

## Habash, Assad hold 1st meeting in 10 years

DAMASCUS, Sept. 25 (R) — Syrian President Hafez Assad has had his first meeting in more than 10 years with Dr. George Habash, leader of the radical Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), which has criticized Syria's attitude to the Middle East crisis. The meeting took place in Damascus Sunday night. Habash arrived here Wednesday for a conference of the Arab "Solidarity and Confrontation Front", which includes Syria.

The Damascus government has not abandoned the possibility of a negotiated Middle East settlement through the Geneva conference on the basis of United Nations resolutions.

## Assad in Amman today

AMMAN, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — Syria's President Hafez Assad will visit Amman Tuesday for talks with King Hussein in the wake of the Camp David accords between Egypt and Israel, the Jordanian government announced Monday night.

On Sunday night, Jordanian Prime Minister Mudar Badran said King Hussein will shortly make a tour of several Arab countries for talks on the Camp David accords.

Badran told the official Jordan News Agency the king would also send envoys to other Arab capitals to explain Jordan's position and propose a common Arab response to latest Middle East peace developments.

The king will also brief a number of world leaders, Badran said.

Badran did not name the Arab countries the king intended to visit, but observers here thought they would include Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states.

Meanwhile "Newsweek" quoted King Hussein as saying that much of the Camp David agreement must be revised before it can be acceptable to Jordan and other Arab states.

In an interview with the weekly news magazine published Monday, King Hussein said he was not encouraged by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's explanation of the Camp David accords when Vance visited Jordan last week.

"We were not encouraged. It deviates from (U.N. Resolution) 242, which had previously been the U.S. position. Much of it has to be revised before it will become acceptable to us and to our Arab partners... It must include total withdrawal and Arab sovereignty over Arab Jerusalem. Otherwise, there is nothing to negotiate about," King Hussein said.

The Jordanian monarch also said the results of the Camp David meeting amounted to a "fig leaf" for Israeli Premier Menachem Begin's own Middle East peace plan.

"What has come out of the general framework is a fig leaf for the Begin plan. Pure sugarcoating. Look at all of Begin's statements: Israeli troops

to stay for an indefinite period. Settlements, too. What's transitional about that."

At the U.N., Iraq Monday reaffirmed its rejection of the Camp David accords, declaring that they constituted a "framework for a humiliating capitulation" that no people could agree to.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Sudoon Hammadi expressed his government's view as the 150-nation General Assembly began a three-week policy debate that is expected to focus largely on the Middle East.

Meanwhile, Oman said Monday certain aspects of the Camp David accords represented tangible progress toward peace in the Middle East and praised President Sadat for his initiative in making his historic trip to Jerusalem 10 months ago.

In the first favorable official Arab reaction to the Camp David agreement, a foreign ministry spokesman said Oman believed that "every Arab government had the right to take the position of which it was convinced."

He said such a country would then "explain its position and the reasons for it to other Arab states in a manner which would be conducive to a narrowing of differences and maintaining Arab solidarity as a framework for achieving a just settlement."

The spokesman said Oman, which was one of the few Arab states to back Sadat's visit to Israel, "did not regard the results of the Camp David summit as completely negative." "Certain aspects represented tangible progress," he added.

He said the emergence of differences among the Arab states about the results on Camp David "should not lead

to a further deepening of differences between the Arab countries, particularly those directly involved in the problem."

In Khartoum the Sudanese government decided Monday to defer a decision on whether to support the summit agreements.

An official statement said the politburo and the council of ministers will discuss the government's position on the accords after President Jassaf Numeiri returns from his current visit to the United States.

The Sudanese press, meanwhile, quoted Numeiri as saying that the Camp David agreements were a unilateral action that should have been channeled through the Arab League.

Meanwhile in Rabat, official sources said Morocco has rejected Sadat's plea for an outright endorsement of the Camp David accords.

Sadat spent three days in Rabat on his way home from Camp David last week in an effort to solicit a gesture of approval from King Hassan II.

A few hours after Sadat departed for Cairo Saturday, Moroccan Foreign Minister Muhammad Bouetta, leader of the nationalist Istiqlal (independence) Party, went out his way to denounce the agreements as a disruption of Arab solidarity.

As he boarded a plane for New York, where he will lead Morocco's delegation to the U.N. General Assembly, Bouetta stressed Morocco's "solid fraternal relations" with Egypt but he insisted that all Arab countries, including Egypt, remain bound by the decisions of the last full summit meeting of the Arab League, held in Rabat in 1974.

## Vance: Trip brought no tangible results

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance returned home Monday, conceding that his five-day Mideast trip had produced no tangible results in President Jimmy Carter's bid to gain Arab support for the Camp David accords.

The assessment was a far cry from the ringing send-off he received from Carter, who told a cheering joint session of Congress last week that he was sending Vance to Arab leaders "to secure their support for the realization of the new hopes and dreams of the people of the Middle East."

Vance, who visited the heads of state in Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Syria, reported direct talks to Carter at an early-morning meeting Monday that was not announced in advance.

Also present to get Vance's report were Vice President Walter F. Mondale and presidential aides Zbigniew Brzezinski and Hamilton Jordan.

Vance's final stop on Sunday was in Damascus, where he met for four hours with Syrian President Hafez Assad. Afterwards, a senior American official, who declined to be identified, said the talks gave no encouragement that Assad would change his views.

Assad, a leader in the so-called rejectionist front, has called the accords "treasonous" because they do not guarantee complete Israeli withdrawal from territories occupied in 1967.

Vance's reception was similar in Jordan, which is considered more moderate than Syria. Both expressed strong reservations about the Camp David plan before Vance came. They expressed the same reservations after he left.

American officials, speaking privately, say they believe the key individual now is King Hussein of Jordan, whom they believe to be genuinely undecided about the accords.

Hussein said after Vance's visit that he will not join the peace process unless the terms of the agreements are modified to guarantee Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank of the Jordan River and Arab East Jerusalem.

American officials have had to tell Hussein and other Arab leaders that the Camp David

plan offers none of the guarantees that they deem essential before they sit down to talk with the militarily superior Israelis.

What they have said is that there is an "implied commitment" for Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank, something which the officials acknowledge does little to dispel the Arab conviction that Israel will do only what an agreement explicitly says it must do.

Israel's parliament was to open debate Monday on the accords and the key proviso that Israel abandon its 18 Sinai settlements. The vote will come Wednesday and success is virtually assured following endorsement by the cabinet and the chief opposition party.

Official sources said in Damascus Monday that Assad told Vance in their meeting that the Camp David summit had given Israel all it wanted and was completely inconsistent with Arab interests.

Assad said that the agreements disregarded Arab and Islamic rights, in particular the (Continued on back page)

## Phalangists 'concerned' over security in North

BEIRUT, Sept. 25 (R) — The right-wing Phalangist Party Monday night expressed concern over what it called "the deterioration of security" in North Lebanon.

A statement by the party's Political Bureau warned of the consequences "to all those responsible for the situation."

A series of battles in the Batroun area of North Lebanon last month involved rightists and troops of the mainly-Syrian Arab Deterrent Force.

The Phalangist Party also called for an early solution to the problem of hundreds of thousands who had fled their homes in the combat zones, including the Christian districts of east Beirut.

Meanwhile Mortar and automatic rifle fire echoed through eastern districts of



King Khalid

## Zayed calls on Khaled in Geneva

GENEVA, Sept. 25 (SPA) — King Khalid bin Abdulaziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia called on the President of the United Arab Emirates Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahayan accompanied by UAE Interior Minister Sheikh Mubarak bin Muhammad.

The King also received Gen. Abdul Hafiz Al-Olwi, an envoy of King Hassan II of Morocco, and Ahmad Binsouda, the head of the Moroccan Royal Cabinet.

## Begin asks Israel parliament to accept Camp David accords

TEL AVIV, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin of Israel asked parliament Monday to dismantle Jewish settlements in the Sinai Desert and accept a peace agreement with Egypt in "the supreme national interest."

Seeking ratification for the two "framework" agreements he negotiated at Camp David with Presidents Carter and Anwar Sadat of Egypt, Begin said the Knesset faced the choice of approving the accords in full of "everything agreed upon at Camp David will be nullified."

"There is no third alternative," Begin said. "This is the way that leads to peace. This is the supreme national interest."

Opposition leader Shimon Peres, critical of Begin's handling of the negotiations, said his party would reluctantly support the accords when they come to a vote later this week.

Peres charged that the accords will cost "a high price — the unavoidable price of peace and the price for the mistakes" of the government. "We have chosen to be supporters of the only existing possibility for peace," Peres said.

Begin is expected to muster an overwhelming majority of the 120 Knesset members. Most analysts predict 90-100 votes supporting the accords. The debate was adjourned until Wednesday.

Begin reportedly repeated to a private session of the National Religious Party, a junior coalition partner, that he

## 'This day' Egypt opening direct contacts with Israel

CAIRO, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — Egypt is opening direct contact with Israel Monday in preparation for peace negotiations, President Anwar Sadat announced.

He told television reporters that Vice-President Hosni Mubarak "will be starting this day the establishment of direct contact between Egypt and Israel" to lay the groundwork for talks on the Camp David peace agreements.

But Sadat did not make clear with whom the vice-president was opening contacts.

The Camp David accords "are solving the problem of the Middle East that has lasted 30 years with four wars and hatred and bitterness," Sadat said. "All this is turning now to friendship and good neighborliness."

The president was speaking to reporters after signing a do-

cument setting up a new Egyptian political group, his National Democratic Party (NDP).

In his remarks, broadcast by Cairo television, he said the peace negotiations would start whenever the Knesset, Israel's parliament, makes its decision on the agreements. It began debating them Monday.

Sadat, who returned home Saturday after the Camp David talks with President Carter and Israeli Premier Menachem Begin, said he was on leave and that Mubarak would be conducting the contacts with Israel in his capacity as acting president.

Sadat did not say how long his leave would last. But he is due to address the nation on the Camp David accords next Thursday, the eighth anniversary of the death of his predecessor, Gamal Abdul Nasser.

The state-controlled Cairo radio meanwhile advised Israel to drop the "concept of expansion" if it wants to establish a durable peace with all its neighbors.

The radio, in its daily commentary said: "Israel is requested to do more than evacuate the settlements in Sinai... it is requested to give up this concept completely in its relations with the Arab world as a whole."

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It said "the Camp David agreements had rejected the Israeli concept of security based on annexing parts of occupied Arab lands... The establishment of peace on the basis of restoring the (land) rights to their owners is the way of guaranteeing peace and security for all parties."

The commentary, which struck a particularly restrained note, did stress however that there was a relationship bet-

between the Egyptian leader drew attention to three events—the creation of his political party, the Israeli cabinet's approval of the peace agreements, and the marriage Sunday of his only son, Gamal. "It is a happy moment for me," he said.

President Sadat declared that he had fulfilled his promise to hundreds of millions of people that he would never let them down after his initiative in visiting Jerusalem last November. He expressed his hope for "a new world with a new order of peace, love and brotherhood."

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## 140 killed in U.S. jet crash

SAN DIEGO, California, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — A Pacific Southwest Airlines jet coming in for a landing collided head-on with a small airplane above a residential neighborhood Monday morning. A total of 140 persons were killed, officials said, making it the worst airplane disaster in U.S. history.

A Federal Aviation Administration spokesman said "It's a very serious crash."

"To the best of our knowledge, 126 passengers, seven crew members (were aboard the jet) and apparently they are all fatalities," said Bruce Chambers, an FAA official in Los Angeles. "We don't really know at this time, but unfortunately that appears to be true."

"There are five homes now in flames," Chambers said. Witnesses said there was at least one fatality on the ground.

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CARGO TYPE	TONNES	TONNES
1. FOODSTUFFS		
Flour	—	
Wheat	—	
Maize	—	
Durra	2159	
Rice	—	
Sugar	—	
Other Foods	7726	
Fruit	—	
Chicken	206	
Meat	150	
Eggs	—	
Total		10241
2. CONSTRUCTION MATS.		
Cement	97184	
Steel	15953	
Timber	5682	
General	74311	
Total		128251
3. VEHICLES		
No of Units	295	1486
4. LIVESTOCK HEADS	11993	600
Total		42629
Grand Total		183207

### TOTAL DISCHARGED

Tonnage	133207	Tonnes
Number of Vehicles	295	Units
No of Livestock	11993	Heads

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COMMODITY	QUANTITY DISCHARGED IN F.T.
1. FOODSTUFFS	4,500
Flour Wheat	—
Maize	912
Rice	—
Sugar	296
Tea	32,459
Various Foodstuffs	1,880
Fruit	4,332
Poultry	—
Meat	—
Eggs	—
	44,379
2. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	25,875
Cement	38,631
Steel	16,461
Timber	77,176
General Construction Materials	158,143
3. VEHICLES	2,386
Number of Vehicles	26,475
4. LIVESTOCK	58,977
Head of Livestock	—

### TOTAL DISCHARGED

A1 228,997	Tonnes Cargo
B1 2,386	Vehicles (in Number)
C1 58,977	Head of Livestock



## Ministry examines transport of desalted water to Riyadh

RIYADH, Sept. 25 (SPA)—Governor of Riyadh Prince Salman Monday presided over a meeting at the Ministry of Agriculture and Water to discuss the piping of desalinated water from the Gulf to the capital.

Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh, minister of agriculture and water, gave a brief sketch of the dimensions of the project, currently underway. The project aims to meet the needs of rural areas for drinking water also, he said.

As part of the project, the capital's depleting aquifers are to be supplemented by water piped from Jubail. Contracts for the vast Stage Two of the Jubail desalination project, which will have capacity of 175 million gallons a day, are expected to be awarded during

this financial year.

Prince Salman expressed his appreciation of the project and said that what was now being implemented had only been a dream in the past. He commended the Ministry of Agriculture and Water for its work.

The meeting, which lasted

## Commerce makes rules for hotel safety, ease

RIYADH, Sept. 25 (SPA)—New standards and specifications for hotels and motels in Saudi Arabia were announced Monday by the Hotel Division of the Ministry of Commerce.

They include safety and security measures, and guidelines for furniture and fixtures, general appearance and

more than two hours, was attended by members of the board of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation (SWCC), the Higher Committee for the Development of Riyadh, the board of Riyadh's Water and Sewage Department and deputy ministers of Agriculture and Water.

The new rules make it compulsory, to keep fire alarm devices and advanced extinguishers in good working condition near the rooms.

Hotels and motels must also follow the instructions of the Civil Defense Department regarding emergencies.

Buildings must be decorated and all windows must have curtains.

In addition, clients are to be treated courteously and the entrance halls and lobbies must be presentable.

## Saudi-funded weather posts open in Yemen

SANAA, Sept. 25 (SPA)—President Abdullah Saleh of North Yemen Sunday opened a meteorological station at Sanaa Airport and secondary posts at Taiz and Hodaia Airports, which were built by a Saudi firm and financed by the Saudi government.



TRADE FINANCE: Representatives of the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank and the Pakistan Oil Refinery Co. signing an agreement Monday, whereby the IDB will provide a \$15m loan to finance Pakistan crude imports from Abu Dhabi.

## Zia says

## Sharia will link Kingdom, Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 25 (SPA)—Pakistan will soon announce a definition of Muslim society for the swift enforcement of the Sharia, President Zia-ul-Haq said Monday.

The step will further reinforce ties between Pakistan and the Kingdom, he told SPA here Monday.

The president said that his program for the enforcement of Islamic law was going ahead according to plan. Together with the present encouragement of Arabic teaching in Pakistan, the step will further encourage the "excellent" rela-

tions between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

Banner The Kingdom, he said, is not only the leader of the Arab nation but also carries the banner of Islamic because it bases policy on Islamic teachings.

Cooperation between the two countries will be mutually beneficial and serve the interests of the Islamic nation as a whole, he added.

The president expressed his gratitude to the Saudi government for their support and assistance to Pakistan.

In Jeddah Monday, a further group of 1364 Pakistani pilgrims arrived for the Hajj on board the "Safinah-Arab", according to the Pakistan embassy.

They were received at the port by Pakistan's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Maj. Gen. (Retd.) Fazal Mueen Khan.

This year, Pakistan is sending 14,000 pilgrims by sea and 24,000 by air. Five thousand pilgrims have already arrived by sea.

Air pilgrims will start arriving on Oct. 2.

There are no reports of ill health.

Arabic In Mecca, the Muslim World

League announced Monday it will send four Arabic teachers, 2,000 copies of the Holy Quran and a set of books on Islam to the Maldives Islands.

An agreement was reached Monday between Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harkan, the league's secretary general, and Dr. Muhammad Zuber Al-Hussein, education undersecretary of the Maldives Republic. The agreement covers league assistance to the Maldives in education.

Hussein commended the Kingdom's pioneer role in the service of Islam and Islamic societies.

## IDB to finance Abu Dhabi oil for Pakistan

JEDDAH, Sept. 25 (SPA)—The Islamic Development Bank (IDB) is to finance Pakistani imports of crude oil from Abu Dhabi, under a \$15 million loan agreement signed here Monday.

Acting IDB President Dr. Said Ahmad Minai signed the agreement with the Pakistan Oil Refinery Co. as part of the bank's program of financing ventures between Muslim countries.

## Kingdom to bolster budget with SR3.2b from state reserves

By Elias Haddad

JEDDAH, Sept. 25—The government will transfer SR 3.2 billion (\$970 million) from the state reserves to the budget account.

The royal decrees published last week and this week in the official gazette "Umm Al-Qura" instructed the deputy prime minister and cabinet members to transfer SR 2.2 billion (\$666 million) and SR 1 billion (\$300 million).

The first transfer will finance the \$14 billion gas gathering system now being constructed in the Eastern Province, it was announced in the gazette of Sept. 15.

The project, to be completed in 1983, is presently planned to

collect 3.29 billion cubic feet per year of associated gas that is now flared.

The second decree, issued this week, calls for the transfer of SR 1 billion to the budget general reserves.

The official gazette gave no further details.

The transfer coincided with report early this month by the International Monetary Fund which said that Saudi Arabia's overall balance of international payments slipped into deficit to the tune of \$1.4 billion in the first quarter of 1978.

## Fahd meets Ulema

TAIF, Sept. 25 (SPA)—Crown Prince Fahd Monday afternoon received the Ulema and Sheikhs as is custom every Monday.

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●RIYADH, (SPA) — Dr. Ali

Muhammad Al-Tuwaijri, deputy director general of the Gulf Arab Education Bureau, will attend UNESCO meeting of experts in Tunis Oct. 2 through 6.

●RIYADH, (SPA) — The Arab Broadcasting Federation's general assembly here, Monday appointed new committees for Administrative and Financial Affairs, Legal Affairs and Satellite Communications.

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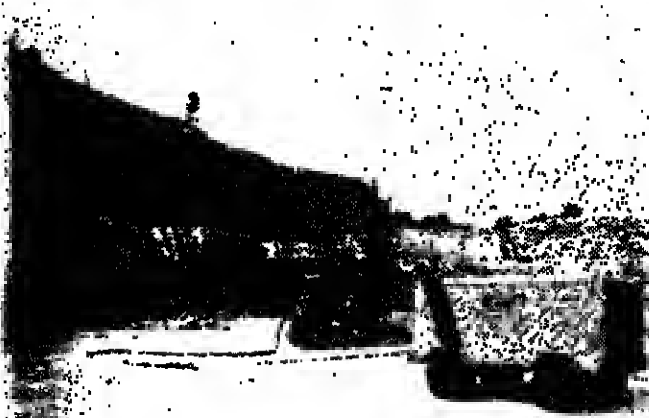
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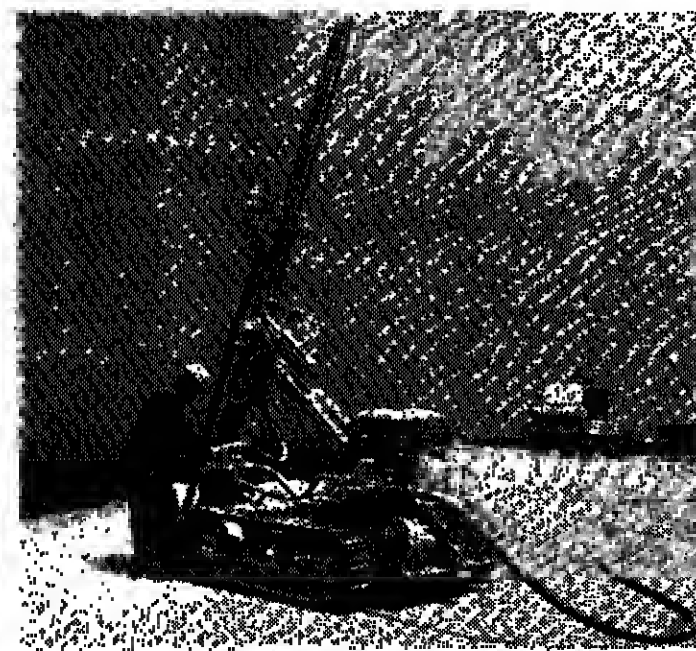
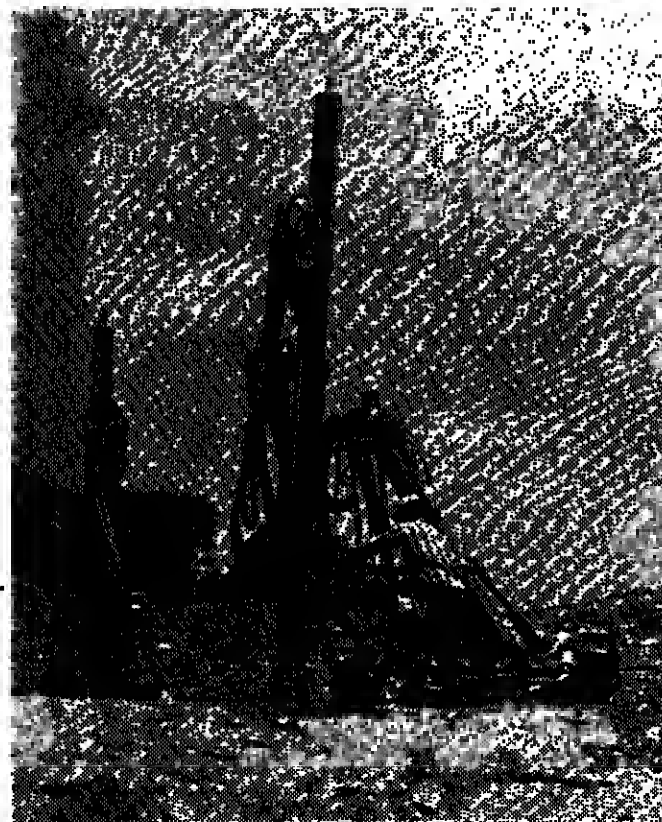
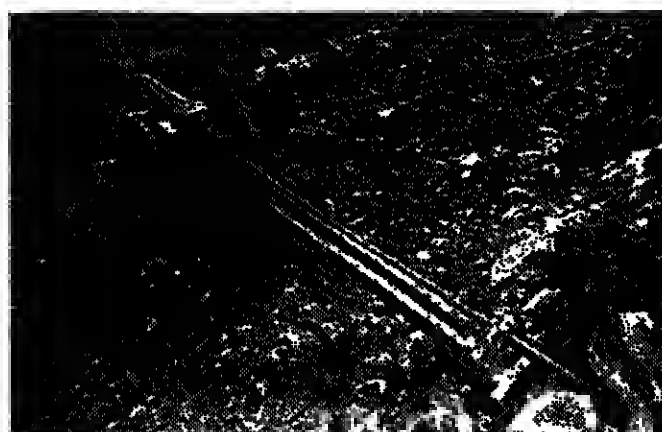


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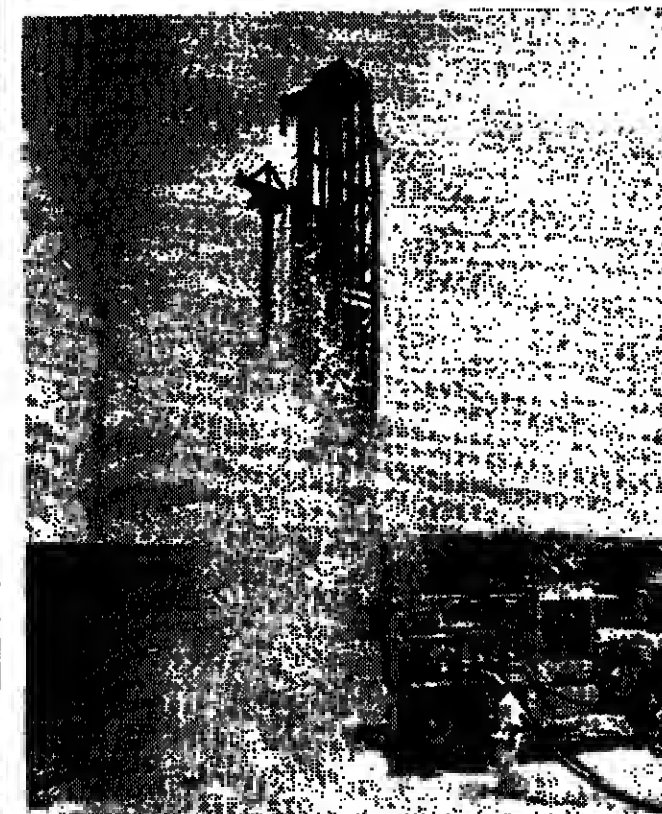
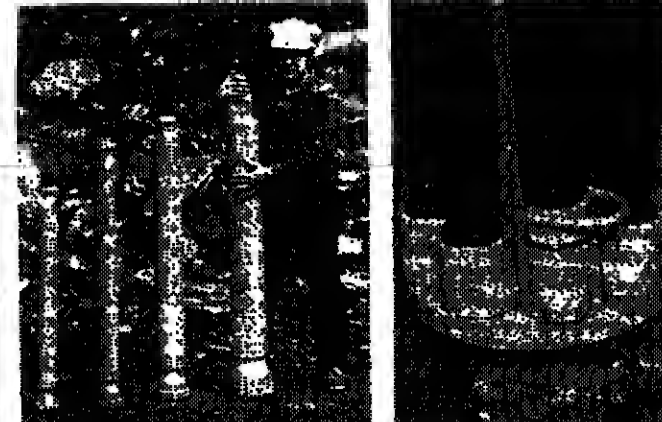
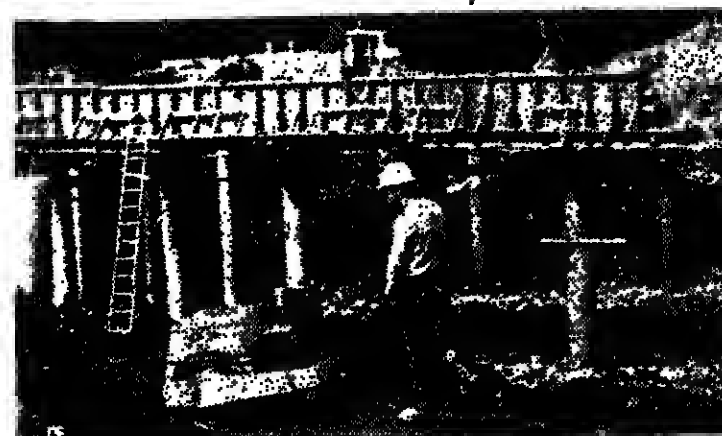


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# IMF urges major nations to coordinate economies

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (AP) — Members of the International Monetary Fund urged major nations Sunday to work for closer coordination of their economies, saying the future value of the U.S. dollar probably depends on it.

They also agreed to a 50 per cent increase in the 135-nation institution's financial resources in the next five years, increasing the total to \$75 billion from the existing \$50 billion.

In a third important step, the members, including the United States, voted a \$15 billion increase in the IMF's special monetary asset, known as Special Drawing Rights. The SDRs, as they are known, would be distributed to the members at the rate of \$5 billion a year.

An SDR is currently worth about 1.25 U.S. dollars.

SDRs can be used as money for settling international trade and payments accounts between governments, but are not used commercially.

The actions were taken at a day-long meeting of the IMF's policy-making interim committee, which was meeting here prior to the formal opening Monday of the 33rd annual joint meeting of the IMF and the World Bank.

Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal represented the United States on the interim committee, which makes decisions on major issues for the IMF.

The committee said in a communiqué Sunday night that coordination of economic policies of major nations is needed because differences in inflation and growth rates led to disappointing economic results in the past year, including con-

tinuing high unemployment in many nations and a dramatic fall in the U.S. dollar.

Committee chairman Denis Healey, the British chancellor of the exchequer, told a news conference that the United States economy should grow more slowly next year while other nations should speed up their economic growth. He said this would reduce the huge U.S. trade deficit and trim the surpluses of other countries that help to cause the decline in the dollar, which was as much as 40 per cent against some currencies in the past 18 months.

The United States already has agreed to the approach outlined by the IMF members and President Carter is expected to announce a new anti-inflation program in the near future.

Healey said that overall, economic growth in the world probably will be about the same next year as in 1977 and 1978, but he said redistribution of growth among major nations, including the slowdown in the United States, would be a significant step forward.

He said that should set the stage for a substantial improvement in economic growth beginning in the second half of 1979, especially if value of the dollar can be stabilized.

The increase in the IMF's finances of \$25 billion beginning in 1980 came with surprising ease, since U.S. officials said last week they didn't think final agreement would be possible at the meetings here. The United States provides about 20 per cent of the total financing of the IMF, so its share of the \$25 billion increase would be about \$5 billion, which would have to be appropriated by Congress. The IMF finances are used to provide financial support to member nations which are experiencing economic difficulties.

Sunday's session set the stage for Monday's joint IMF-World Bank meeting and an expected renewal of the annual tug of war between rich and poor nations over the world's resources. As usual at these meetings, the United States and other wealthy nations are expected to make a commitment toward increasing aid to poor and developing countries, yet it likely will not satisfy those pressing for more.

## Venezuela, Kuwait hold talks on oil

KUWAIT, Sept. 25 (R) — Venezuelan energy minister Valentin Hernandez had talks here Monday with Kuwait Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, the current OPEC president, on the effect on oil prices and the continuing decline in the value of the U.S. dollar. Kuwaiti officials reported.

Hernandez arrived Sunday night from Saudi Arabia and met the ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, and his crown prince and prime minister Sheikh Saad al-Ahmed al-Sabah before his talks with Sheikh Ali.

Kuwait and Venezuela are among members of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) which have called for an adjustment in the price of oil to compensate losses resulting from the fall in the exchange value of the dollar, the currency in which oil is priced.

OPEC oil ministers hold their next price-fixing meeting in December.

The officials said the two ministers had also discussed ways of furthering cooperation between their two countries in oil-related matters.

## Bonn to write off debts owed by poor countries

BONN, Sept. 25 (R) — The West German government plans to write off 4.3 billion marks (\$2.2 billion) of debts owed by the poorest developing countries from Jan. 1 next year, Development Aid Minister Rainer Offergeld said Monday.

Offergeld told Reuters in an interview that a group of 30 countries will benefit from the scheme, which will be worked out in detail over the next few weeks.

Bangladesh, Sudan, Tanzania and Afghanistan will be the main countries to profit. The planned debt-cancellation is along the lines laid down at a special meeting of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Trade (UNCTAD) in Geneva in March.

West Germany then pledged to give the poorest countries

## Carter's energy plan 'heading for victory'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (AP) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter's embattled energy program appears headed for its first congressional victory as the House and Senate wade through busy agendas in hopes of finishing the year's work by mid-October.

The energy legislation has been bottled up in Congress for 17 months, while Carter has absorbed criticism from Western allies for not acting to curb America's dependence on imported oil.

## Leak reduces capacity of Abu Dhabi gas plant

ABU DHABI, Sept. 25 (AP) — Abu Dhabi's multi-million dollar liquid natural gas plant on Das Island is operating at 75 per cent of planned capacity because of leaks discovered in two storage tanks, it was reported here Sunday.

The \$565-million plant constructed by Bechtel began operation last year. It was called a masterpiece of design and engineering and a milestone in the efforts of the Gulf states to harness their gas resources.

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Sweden, Canada, Switzerland, Britain and the Netherlands have already announced that they are writing off the debts of the world's poorest countries.

Offergeld said the debt cancellations, which will cost West Germany 80 million marks (\$40 million) a year up to 2028, will be worked out on a country-by-country basis.

He added that the negotiation of individual settlements would take up to a year, but all agreements would be effective from Jan. 1.

Since the UNCTAD conference in March, West Germany has given cash grants to Botswana, Malawi, Tanzania and Chad.

## N. Yemen inaugurates development projects

SANAA, Sept. 25 (R) — North Yemen's three top leaders have inaugurated several development projects as part of celebrations marking the 17th anniversary of the Sept. 26 revolution which ousted the rule of the imams (kings).

The celebrations began Sunday when President Ali Abdullah Saleh officially inaugurated the Sanaa automatic telephone exchange, installed by the

British Cable and Wireless Company.

Vice-President Abdul-Karim al-Arashi inaugurated a blood bank, and several other factories, including one for the manufacture of metal bars, windows and doors and another for producing insecticides.

Prime Minister Abdul-Aziz Abdul Ghani inaugurated an automatic telephone exchange which linked North Yemen's main towns.

## SAMA exchange rates

JEDDAH, Sept. 25 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency announced Monday the following foreign exchange rates based on the average rates on the London money market and the official price of the U.S. dollar.

Currency	Price
U.S. dollar	3.33
Pound sterling	6.56
Deutchmark	1.71
Swiss franc	2.21
French franc	0.76
Japanese yen (100)	1.77
Canadian dollar	2.84
Belgian franc (10)	1.08
Dutch guilder	1.57
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Swiss F (100)	223.00	224.50
French F (100)	76.75	76.75
Italian Lira (1000)	4.10	4.10
Lebanese Lira (100)	113.50	113.50
Syrian Lira (100)	83.00	86.00
Egyptian Pound	4.70	4.80
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.30	12.30
Jordanian Dinar	11.20	11.18
Emirates Dirham (100)	86.75	86.75
Qatari Riyal (100)	86.75	86.75
Bahraini Dinar	8.67	8.67
Iraqi Dinar	10.50	—
Iranian Riyal (100)	47.00	47.25
Yemeni Riyal (100)	74.00	74.00
South Yemeni Dinar	—	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)	77.50	83.50
Indian Rupee (100)	—	42.25
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.00
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Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
* Ministry of Defense and Aviation	Catering for personnel in Riyadh area	7	100	Oct. 31
* " "	Catering for personnel in Nejr area	6	100	Oct. 21
* Municipality of Onaizah	Tearing of Helalah street and removing of rubble	1	50	Oct. 22
* Islamic University, Medina	Airconditioning of students' hostels	xx	150	Oct. 31
* Municipality of Qorayat	Drilling to two wells	xx	Free	Nov. 24
* Municipality of Mecca	Security of chemical fertilizer	4	20	Oct. 18
* " " "	Securing of organic fertilizer	5	30	Oct. 18
* " " "	Making a prefab laboratories at pilgrimage places	xx	xx	Oct. 22



## SAUDI PORTS AUTHORITY VESSELS MOVEMENTS AT JEDDAH SEAPORT UPTO THE MORNING OF 25th. SEP. 1978

Berth	Vessel	Agent	Cargo	Arr. Date
1A	—	—	—	—
2	NEDLOYD SCHEDE	ALATAS	CONTAINERS	25/9/1978
3	SANTA ELENA	KANOO	GENERAL	25/9/1978
4	PING CHAU	ALATAS	GENERAL	24/9/1978
5	HUBALDUS ORRI	ALATAS	STEEL/GENERAL	23/9/1978
6	TSING CHAU	O.C.E.	CEMENT/GENERAL	22/9/1978
7	CEDAR STAR	KANOO	RICE/FLOR/GENERAL	19/9/1978
8	GREEN VALLEY BARGES	—	—	—
9	GLORIOUS TRADER	VENUS	GEN./STEEL/TIMBER	20/9/1978
10	IBN HAZIM	KANOO	GEN./CONTAINERS	21/9/1978
11	—	—	—	—
12	EVIMERIA	ALSAADA	GEN./CONTAINERS	22/9/1978
13	EVER RELIANCE	S.A.M.A.	TIMBER	22/9/1978
14	FATAH AL KHAIR	BAGHDADI	DURRA/BEANS/SORGHUM	21/9/1978
15	HOUDA PEARL	ALWANI	BAGGED CEMENT	22/9/1978
16	—	—	—	—
17	KAWACHI MARU	ALIREZA	CONTAINERS	24/9/1978
18	—	—	—	—
19	ODYSSEUS	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT	23/9/1978
20	KANARIS	A.A.	BAGGED CEMENT	16/9/1978
21	FER JAMAICA	GULF	BAGGED CEMENT	5/9/1978
22	MILA	STAR NAV.	FROZ. CHICKEN	24/9/1978
22/23	FILIPINAS SAUDI	ORRI	HOTEL SHIP	22/8/1978
38	BARGES EX	KANOO	GENERAL	16/9/1978
39	ACADIA FOREST	—	—	—
40	SAMIR I	ELHAWI	FROZEN CHICKENS	24/9/1978
41	—	—	—	—
42	BLUE OCEAN	BAABOUD	LOADING CARS	22/9/1978
43	AL SADIQ	S.E. ASIA	BAGGED CEMENT	16/9/1978
44	BENADIR	O.C.E.	BANANAS	22/9/1978
44	PEKARI	M.E.S.A.	BANANAS	19/9/1978
RO RO	—	—	—	—
—	LINA V	S.E.A.	—	20/9/1978
—	—	—	—	—
—	KAWACHI MARU	ALIREZA	CONTAINERS	24/9/1978
—	CHINTA	RED SEA	WIREMESH	24/9/1978
—	PING CHAU	ALATAS	CONTAINERS/GENERAL	24/9/1978
—	SAMIR I	ALHAWI	FROZEN CHICKENS	24/9/1978
—	MILA	STAR NAV.	FROZ. CHICKEN/FRUIT	24/9/1978
—	SANTA ELENA	KANOO	CONTR./GENERAL	25/9/1978
—	—	—	—	—
—	HELLENIC	ALPHA	REEFER/OIL/FLOR/	25/9/1978
—	CHALLENGER	ABUSHA	CONTR./GEN	25/9/1978
—	DEMITRIOS	ALATAS	DURRA	25/9/1978
—	NEDLOYD SCHEDE	—	CONTAINERS	25/9/1978
—	ATLANTIC FOREST	KANOO	LASH BARGES	25/9/1978
—	FICHTELBERG	A.E.T.	CONTAINERS	25/9/1978
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Berth No.				
1	PEIRA	KANOO	RICE/GENERAL	21/9/1978
2	SEA TRAIN WEST	ALQURASHI	CONTAINERS	24/9/1978
3	POINT	ORRI	GENERAL/TIMBER	24/9/1978
4	MALDIV SWIFT	ORRI	STEEL PIPES	24/9/1978
5	KITANO MARU	GUSABI	GENERAL	16/9/1978
6	YUNG FONG	GULF	LOADING UREA	21/9/1978
10	KOTA PUKI	KANOO	PIPES LINE AGGREGATE	21/9/1978
11	CAPE GRAFTON	—	—	—
12	AGRO HOPE	ORRI	LIME STONE BAGS	23/9/1978
13	DCNELMIA	KANOO	GENERAL	24/9/1978
14	TALISMAN	BARBER	GEN. CONTAINERS	24/9/1978
15	TEKOS	KANOO	GENERAL/REEFER	24/9/1978
16	ASIA ECHO	GULF	GENERAL/GRAIN	24/9/1978
17	CHUEN CHAU	U.E.P.	C. CEMENT	8/9/1978
18	WORLD EMBLEM	S.M.C.	C. CEMENT	18/9/1978
20	PLUTVICE	GUSABI	BULK CEMENT	14/9/1978
21	BAIKA DB	BARBER	—	—

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	PRIMULA	S.M.C.	BULK CEMENT	18/9/1978
	OCEAN FRIEND	S.A.T.E.	C. CEMENT	18/9/1978
	EVNIA	A.E.T.	C. CEMENT	20/9/1978
	ASIA HOPE	KANOO	C. CEMENT	24/9/1978
	MALDIV COURAGE	ORRI	GENERAL/TIMBER	13/9/1978
	CHRYA	GUSABI	—	—

Recent Arrivals:	Name of the Ship	Agent	Type of cargo	Arrival Date
	KYUIN	ALIREZA	CARS	24/9/1978
	KITANO MARU	GULF	STEEL PIPES	24/9/1978
	MALDIV SWIFT	ORRI	GENERAL/TIMBER	24/9/1978
	CHUEN CHAU	U.E.P.	GENERAL/GRAIN	24/9/1978
	DUNTIMA	KANOO	GENERAL	24/9/1978
	TALISMAN	BARBER	GEN. CONTAINERS	24/9/1978
	STAR PHOENIX	KANOO	GENERAL	24/9/1978
	SEA TRAIN WEST	ALQURASHI	CONTAINERS	24/9/1978
	POINT	ORRI	—	—
	MALDIV COURAGE	ORRI	GENERAL	24/9/1978
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## REHABILITATION

Secretary Vance is back in Washington to report to President Carter on his lightning Middle Eastern tour. The mission was made necessary to assuage the fears of moderate Arab states that the Camp David agreements are a sell-out. If anything, the tour has proved to Mr. Vance that it has been quite necessary. This is not to say that the secretary of state has succeeded in winning over the Arab moderates. It will take more than words by Mr. Vance to set Arab-American relations straight.

Immediately after the conclusion of the Camp David agreements, President Carter assured the Arabs via a press conference that the agreements are not a final step but rather represent a framework for peace. Mr. Vance later repeated this stance in almost identical words. The same position was adopted a few days later by Zbigniew Brzezinski, the presidential adviser, who took pains to underline the vital role that the moderate Arab states must play to ensure the success of the Camp David accords.

The repeated American assurances only confirm that there is reason for Arab apprehension. The two documents of Camp David are separate: The peace treaty between Egypt and Israel could still be signed even if the agreement on the West Bank crumbles. The shortcomings of the second agreement, as far as the Arabs are concerned, deserve a study on their own. Suffice to say that it incorporates most of the old Begin plan which was rejected way back in November.

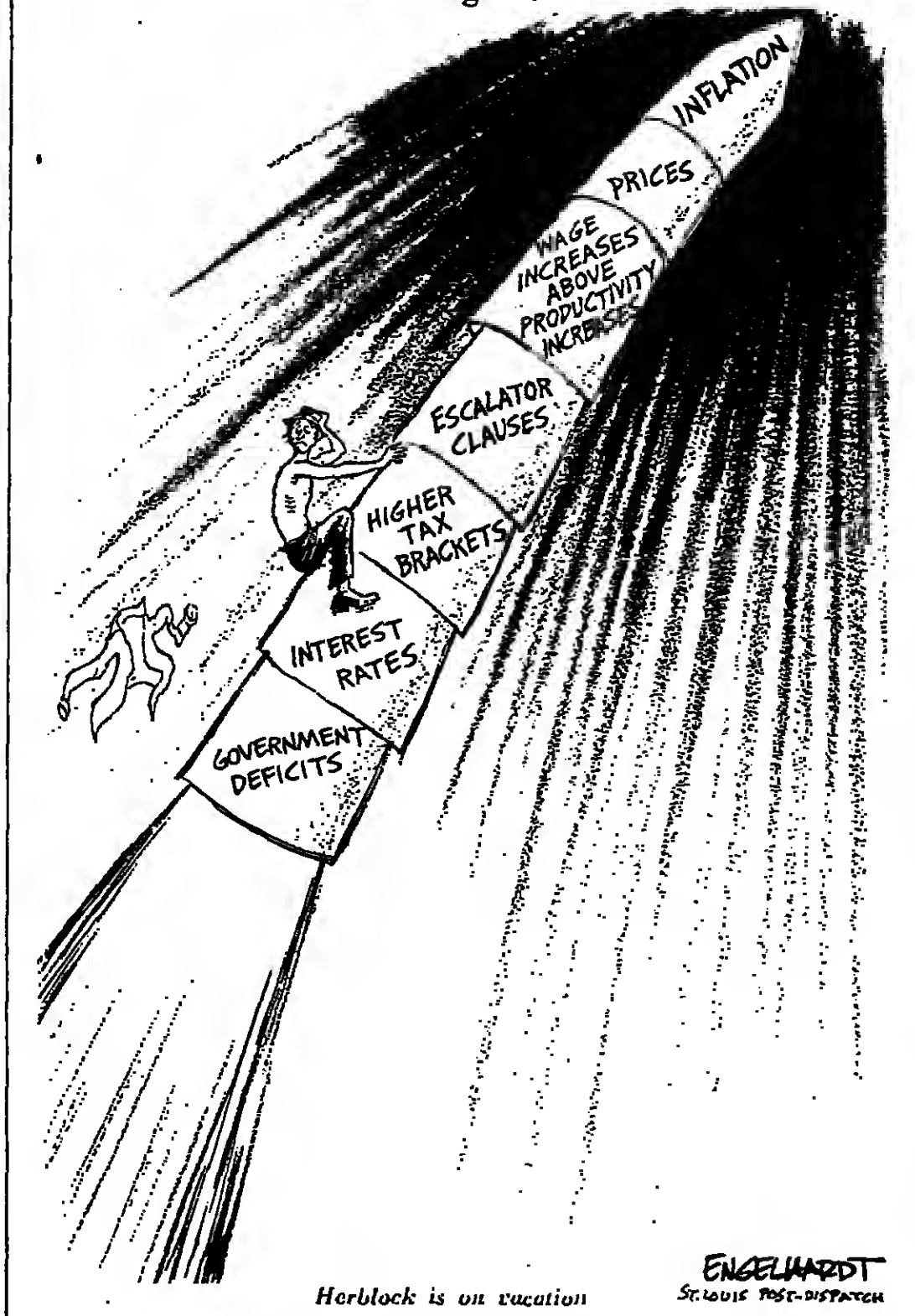
The moderate and radical Arabs, however, have no rights over Begin himself or, for that matter, over President Sadat. But they are apprehensive that the U.S. might have finally taken a position against their interest. And since this is the time for "explaining" Mr. Vance, or, better still, Mr. Carter may want to close up the U.S. position on Israeli settlements.

Since 1967, successive American presidents and their secretaries of state and U.N. ambassadors have stated that the presence of Israeli settlements in occupied Arab territories is illegal. The Camp David accords make the existing ones in the West Bank and Gaza legal and Begin is even contesting the U.S. assertion that he has made a moratorium on future settlements. So in the dispute over the future settlements, the present ones are suddenly legalized. And this is without even having to go into the subject of Jerusalem.

The moderate Arabs appreciate American explanations and pledges but so far they have not been convinced. They worry that in the absence of conviction and an honest American position, they may come under pressure from their radical brothers to adopt a more forceful attitude against the protagonists of a solution that is breaking the Arab world in two. The radicals will have no choice but to look toward the Soviet Union for help and Moscow will be given a golden opportunity to return to the Middle East through the wide door having been kicked out of the window. Of course, there is always the chance that the Soviet Union has been in on the deal from the very beginning.

The U.S. must work with utmost dispatch to rehabilitate itself with the Arab moderates and salvage its credibility. The moderates' position notwithstanding, the U.S. will have to do this if only to support its contention that the moderates are necessary to accomplish peace.

## Multi-Stage Rocket



## Drill bits and diplomacy

By Tom Decola

DALLAS — The deal is as complex as the chunk of equipment at its heart — a tough, multi-faceted oil-drill bit that Russia wants, Dresser Industries, based in Dallas, is eager to sell the Soviet Union a plant to make the bits, and President Jimmy Carter has approved.

But other high officials are fighting the deal — and in Washington, a Senate subcommittee on investigations told Dresser to produce a wide range of documents Monday so the matter can get a new review.

So the stage is set for two big questions to be asked: — Will this deal help the Russians at the cost of American security?

Even if it doesn't, should the United States use such trade deals as a lever to pressure the Russians into such policies as better treatment of dissidents? In the larger scale of Dresser Industries' \$3 billion annual sales figures, the proposal to sell \$145 million worth of the drill bits to the Soviet Union over three years doesn't seem very big.

But E.R. Luter, senior vice president of Dresser Industries, who has assumed the role of company spokesman in the matter, can recite from memory the events that have brought it to the Senate committee. Six years ago, he says, the Russians approached Dresser about building a plant to produce the rock drill bits. A plant at Kuibyshev is already manufacturing bits, but this one would increase production there by some 100,000 bits annually.

Because of differences in drilling technique, the Soviet bits rotate much faster, and wear out faster. Dresser's bit has the advantage of being particularly tough and long-lasting.

ing. Last fall, the U.S. Commerce Department issued a favorable report, and Dresser got two export licenses. But then the problems began.

Some of them focus on a computerized electron beam welding machine used in the manufacturing process. "It's the same technique used in making television picture tubes," Luter says. "It's about as sophisticated as the control mechanism on an automatic dishwasher."

But others disagree, among them Senator Henry Jackson, Democrat-Washington, who says the technology can be used to make armor-piercing shells. Luter scoffs at that and says the real problem involves diplomacy.

Zbigniew Brzezinski, Carter's National Security Adviser, and Energy Secretary James Schlesinger, who oppose the sale, want to use trade with the Russians as a diplomatic lever. Luter says the first hint of trouble came from a Brzezinski aide, Sam Huntington, who wanted the deal withheld to press for better treatment of Soviet dissidents.

Luter also says it was only after the export licenses were approved by the departments of State, Commerce, Defense and Energy that Jackson entered the picture by recommending the licenses be revoked.

Eventually, even though Carter had approved the licenses, the Defense Department obtained another review — an unfavorable report by J. Fred Bucy for the Defense Science Board of the Pentagon. Bucy, who is president of Texas Instruments, has declined comment.

Luter said his firm has not seen the report, but believes it warns that the technology and makeup of the bits — some of

the teeth would be of tungsten carbide — could be used for military purposes.

On the other hand, Eugene Fubini, a Texas Instruments director who is chairman of the Defense Science Board's task force, says the report addressed an overall question of exportation of technology.

Jackson sees no incompatibility. He stresses both arguments.

"First, should we give them this high-grade technology, which will substantially improve their oil production, at a time when they are arresting American newsmen and businessmen? Second, this technology has certain military implications. It will enable them to manufacture a certain type of armor-piercing shell which they would not otherwise be capable of doing."

Luter, however, calls the suggestion that the sale has military implications "ridiculous on two counts. The Russians are already producing tungsten carbide — it was used in World War II, but it's no longer used. There's a much more effectively alloy called bimet, made up of tungsten, nickel and copper. Anyone who thinks the Russians don't have armor-piercing shells should have been in Vietnam."

He also says the computer, made by Sclay Bros. of Chicago, is available in France, where the Sclay Bros. started business, and in Japan, the United Kingdom and West and East Germany.

So, despite the Bucy report and Jackson's objections, Carter again upheld the sale last week.

"The day after that," Luter said, "we got a call from the Jackson staff saying they'd issued a subpoena for all our records on the project."

By Ronald Reagan  
LOS ANGELES — While the TV cameras and the reporters' pencils were poised outside Camp David, awaiting any scrap of news, another story broke but went almost unnoticed. It was the announcement by Mexico's President Jose Lopez Portillo that his country's possible oil reserves were being revised upward to 200 billion barrels. This could put Mexico in the class of Saudi Arabia as an oil supplier.

The implications are great. Developed with care, the oil reserves could not only bring economic strength to an important U.S. neighbor and generate jobs for Mexico's exploding population, but they could also provide the United States with a major alternative source of energy to Arab and other OPEC oil. There is the possibility of such reserves stabilizing or even lowering world oil prices through competition. And the short supply route and greater ease of transportation from Mexico would reduce the ever-present danger of super-tanker oil spills.

A further byproduct of Mexico's development of its large reserves could be a reduction in the flow of illegal immigrants

## Mexico's oil

into the U.S. The Mexican "campesinos" leave the land because it cannot support them. They flow into the U.S. in a steady stream (it is said that a million of the estimated 8 million "illegals" in the U.S. are Mexican) or they flow into the cities of Mexico looking for subsistence jobs. In the last two decades Mexico City has grown to be the world's most populous — with a smog problem to match.

Why didn't the administration take the Mexican reserves into account when President Carter launched his energy MEOW (Moral Equivalent of War) in the spring of 1977? Nobody is talking for attribution, but various press leaks by U.S. Department of Energy officials suggest that the administration withheld 1976 CIA data which verified the Mexican reserves.

I think the reluctance to reveal this information more likely stemmed from the assumptions of the energy ideologues who developed the Carter program. They had convinced themselves we must live in a world of lowered expectations and shortages and they wanted nothing to interfere with their conclusions.

Certainly the ill-fated

Carter energy legislation thus out. It was designed raise taxes and manipulate oil behavior — not pre-

Will the Mexicans give access to the oil? That remains to be seen, but it will take peace and diplomacy on America's part, plus an understanding of Mexico's fierce sense of national pride and its war about foreign exploitation. With Mexico just now coming out of a slump, we must recognize the need to buy petroleum products at fair prices — unlike the Mexican deal, once again, which if you keep price artificially set, via politics, can create for in this case petroleum a shortage. — (K)

In that one, PEMEX, Mexican national petroleum producer, and some American companies wanted to build a pipeline to bring Mexican oil into the U.S. via Texas, agreed on a price of \$2.6 thousand cubic feet, but Carter energy plan called raising U.S. producers' price to only \$1.90 rather than to the Mexican deal, once again, which if you keep price artificially set, via politics, can create for in this case petroleum a shortage. — (K)

## Low profile on Rhodesia

By Bernard D. Noesler

LONDON — In the wake of their latest and most conspicuous failure to end Rhodesia's bloody conflict, Anglo-American diplomats have quietly decided to lie low and abstain from fresh initiatives for a while.

This was the central outcome of a private meeting this month here among Foreign Minister David Owen, Richard Moose, the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Anthony Lake, director of State's policy planning unit, and other key British and American diplomats.

Authoritative sources disclosed that their meeting, scheduled to last 90 minutes and actually consuming over three hours, was largely devoted to a cheerless review of the Rhodesian conflict. At the end, they agreed that neither Washington nor London could do much that was useful now.

The failed initiative was last month's secret meeting between white Premier Ian Smith and Joshua Nkomo, one of the two guerrilla leaders whose forces are closing in on the whites. Authorities here acknowledge that this meeting was designed by Owen. He had hoped to unblock the political stalemate in Rhodesia. U.S. officials are said to have greeted Owen's plan skeptically, but abstained from exercising a veto.

Diplomats strenuously deny that the ill-fated meeting was designed to achieve a settlement behind the back of Robert Mugabe, Nkomo's national guerrilla partner. Instead the Anglo-American officials had hoped that the Smith-Nkomo talks would lead to a conference of all forces, black and white, inside and outside Rhodesia.

As it turned out, the secret meeting was largely a disaster. It has infuriated Mugabe who learned of it only after the talks took place, and then from Nigerian sources who had helped promote the meeting.

The Smith-Nkomo talks also succeeded in splitting the fra-

gile unity among the Black African presidents who rule lands bordering Rhodesia.

President Julius Nyerere of Tanzania, a major supporter of Mugabe, is reliably reported to have spoken harshly to President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia, the chief source of comfort for Nkomo.

The whole affair was capped by the destruction of a Rhodesian civil airliner, claimed by Nkomo, and the slaughter of ten of its white survivors, attributed to but denied by Nkomo.

The disclosure that Smith met Nkomo has made Nkomo fear that he will be regarded as a cat's paw of whites. So he now has said that the proposed Anglo-American conference of all parties is "dead." Unsurprisingly, his "partner" Mugabe has promptly reported that they are very much alive.

At the same time, the massacre of the crash survivors has made it impossible for Smith to make further moves towards the guerrillas, the diplomats here agreed. They see Smith's own position endangered by two right-wing white forces in Rhodesia. One is demanding air and ground strikes wherever guerrillas are thought to camp. The other wants to displace Smith and somehow negotiate a continued white supremacist rule.

It is against this tangled background that Owen and the Americans decided to adopt a lower profile. John Graham of the British Foreign Office and Stephen Low, the U.S. Ambassador in Zambia, have been traveling from capital to capital, from guerrilla leader to guerrilla leader, trying to coax all hands around a table. This pair, present at the London talks, have been instructed to sit back quietly now.

Despite the obvious failure of the Smith-Nkomo meeting, some Anglo-American diplomats profess to see positive gains from it. They argue it has induced a new sense of realism about Rhodesia, and made it evident that Smith's deal with unarmed black leaders inside the country no longer lives.

The deal's principal black beneficiary, Bishop Abel Muzorewa, once touted as the most popular black politician in Rhodesia, is now regarded as a pathetic, inept and lonely figure. His lieutenants, it is said, are deserting him in droves, anxious to be on a winning black side and convinced it is not the Bishop's. Much the same thing, the diplomats concluded, is happening in the camp of the other principal signer of Smith's internal settlement, Reverend Ndabaningi Sithole.

The internal settlement was a Smith invention to pass nominal majority rule to Muzorewa-Sithole blacks, but retain control of armed power in white hands. In contrast, the year-old Anglo-American plan would give much of the control of

Rhodesia's armed forces Nkomo-Mugabe guerrilla the crucial period before election was held.

Smith, who had promised whites stern measures, only for partial martial

This was regarded by 16 white whites as a "damp" further undermined position among whites vented, for the moment, their inflammation of the gle. (Smith then ordered desian forces to launch against suspected g camps in Mozambique.)

The meeting here of Moose, Lake and other conscious of domestic pressures in Britain an U.S. where elections will be held, in both of these pressures are far from the right than the the diplomats believe, fairger on the side of Smith whites than on the side divided black guerrillas

Some of the more iddent officials present a weekend gathering here welcome more frankness Rhodesia.

They believe Britor Americans should be to Smith is finished, that ginal plan to hold election for a black independence is declared has been over by events. In their view, only a free-wheeling like Andrew Young, the United Nations Ambassador could now say that black pendence must come t not after an election.

The gloomiest di, who have been most right in the past, are convinced that Smith a whites will be driven power, even by divided guerrillas. They then that the Mugabe and forces will battle each for power.

In this view, Western tests lie in containing war to Rhodesians or weans as they will then ed. These diplomats h the struggle will not w embrace Cuban and Sc rican troops

On which side Hava Pretoria would fight is clear, Nkomo, regard more moderate, gets from the lavish Russian the Cubans. Mugabe, the more militant ideol serviced chiefly by China, Moscow's resoluti ment.

Above all, the pessimists believe that and Washington are losing power to affect a Rhodesia. These diplo love that both capit responding to, rather d ping, the course of They even use languag in equally stalemated Ireland where "the pol the last atrocity" is paramount. — (WP)

## saudi press review

"Okaz" editorial dealt with the statement issued by the Saudi Ministry of Foreign Affairs about the visit to the Kingdom of Mr. Cyrus Vance, the U.S. Secretary of State. The paper extolled the statement as a reiteration of the Saudi position regarding the Middle East question.

"Al-Riyad" Daily also commented on the Vance visit and made it clear that any proposed solution of the Middle East question that does not take into consideration what the Saudi statement referred to would be totally rejected. The paper stressed the crucial importance of returning Jerusalem to Arab sovereignty, as well as the recognition of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian

people under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization. The road that the Arabs want to take towards a solution had been known for thirty years before Camp David, the paper said.

"Al-Medina" editorial discussed the visit of Mr. Vance and the Saudi statement saying that the United States appreciates the importance and weight of Saudi Arabia in the world which are bound to have serious repercussions in political circles. The objective of the Saudis is to realize a just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East and that without Jerusalem and the full satisfaction of the Palestinians this shall not be achieved.

Continuing his discussion of the Camp David accords and particularly the role played by President Sadat, Al-Medina columnist Mr. Salahuddin said in effect that Mr. Sadat had reneged on his earlier promises with regards to a just and comprehensive solution of the Middle East question.

Mr. Sadat's conditions for a just and comprehensive peace in the region used to include his insistence that Israel should withdraw from all the occupied lands, the restitution of full sovereignty over the liberated lands and the dismissal of any possibility for a separate peace treaty with Israel.

Mr. Salahuddin said that the Palestinians cannot be blamed if they rejected the Camp David accords.





# Transkei: the Black African country no one wants to recognize

By Caryle Murphy  
**UMTATA** — When Transkei's ambassador-at-large corners U.S. congressmen and senators to recite the reasons why his country should be recognized by the U.S. government, he unfolds a 1890 U.S. War Department map of Africa and points to the spot marked "Transkei" to bolster his arguments.

"See, I tell them," Ambassador Ngozi Masimani relates, "your government's map shows Transkei long before South Africa existed in its present form."

But Masimani's affable manner and historical arguments fail to convince, and Transkei, the first black area to become an "independent" state under South Africa's policy of separate development for non-whites, wanders in a diplomatic wilderness, shunned by the international community.

No country except South Africa has recognized Transkei since South Africa declared it independent in October 1976, and no country appears likely to.

The problem is that Transkei represents the ultimate in the South African racial separation policy of apartheid, recently renamed "plural democracy," under which the nation's 18 million blacks are being assigned to nine homelands largely on the basis of what language they speak.

In the end, these 18 million will no longer be South Africans, but citizens of nine independent countries that critics note will put 75 per cent of the population on 13 per cent of the land, noticeably excluding major industrial and urban areas, as well as the gold mines of the Transvaal.

Divided into three separate pieces, which together are twice the size of Israel, Transkei is a land of beautiful mountains, forests and rivers that descend onto the rugged 320-kilometer wild coast along the Indian Ocean. It is in Transkei that 4 million speakers of Xhosa are to exercise their national political aspirations.

The question of just how independent Transkei is becomes complex, especially when the answer is measured in money. Parking meters in downtown Umtata, the country's capital, still take South African 5-cent pieces and in fact South African currency is used for all financial transactions. Transkei imports 90 per cent of its food from South Africa and all of its fuel. Half of Transkei's current budget comes from South Africa, largely from customs duties and taxes on the wages of Transkeian workers collected in South Africa.

Compounding the economic dependence is South Africa's Transkei's beaten claim to land parcels that the white government refuses to give up, although they show as parts of Transkei on old documents such as Masimani's U.S. map.

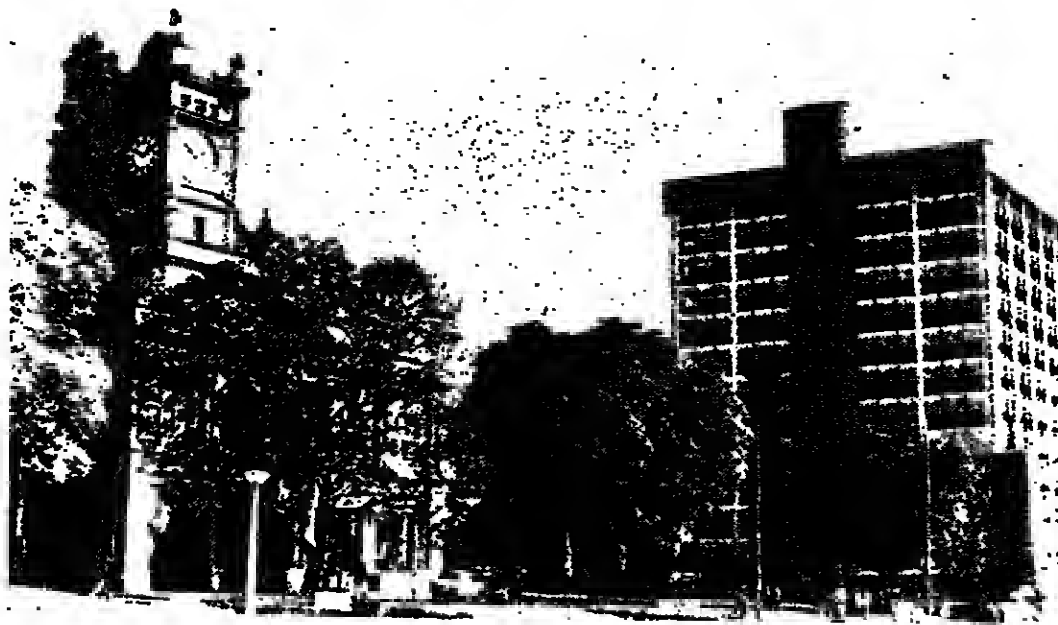
Pretoria's apparent refusal to take seriously Transkei's claims to the area known as East Griqualand so enraged Prime Minister Kaiser D. Matanzima that he exercised his own sovereign rights April 10 and cut off diplomatic relations with South Africa.

Next Matanzima indicated to Pretoria that he considers all the pre-independence agreements to be breakable on whim. He ended the mutual non-aggression pact the two governments had signed.

Rupture of this pact means that South African naval vessels are supposed to steal clear of Transkeian waters and South African military planes must not overfly Transkeian airspace.

Matanzima has also threatened to train his 323-man army "for the future confrontation with the whites of South Africa" and for retaking the land he claims for Transkei.

The Transkeian leader dismissed the white South African



The view from Main Street in the Transkei capital, Umtata.

cans who were training his army, which he intends to double this year, and replaced them with a black Transkeian brigadier.

Foreign Minister Digby Koyana recently invited "any African countries to come forward and train our officers and army and fill the vacuum which we have deliberately created by removing the South Africans."

Transkeian officials have even invited South Africa's arch enemies, the banned African National Congress (ANC) and Pan Africanist Congress (PAC), to open offices in Transkei.

The reaction to Matanzima's anti-South Africa stance has largely been wry smiles, with some critics making references to Gilbert and Sullivan operettas and others, like Transkeian opposition parliamentarian Sizalehe Mda, asking embarrassing questions in the legislative assembly.

"What do we do if South Africa cuts off our fuel? If their planes flew over the assembly, we could only go out and call them names," he said.

Despite Transkei's dubious status and uncertain future, the 60-odd roads that cross its borders with South Africa, only two of which have border control posts, lead to a place of striking beauty where residents say independence has brought chances, some of them for the better.

Most of the approximately 2.5 million Transkeians living here, unaware of the international repercussions of their independence, say they like it.

"It has so many privileges, like making our own laws, with our own leaders," said Ernest Fikele, a 5115-a-month policeman.

Like many other black Transkeians, Fikele is reaping the benefits from the creation of Transkei's own independent bureaucracy. Police, public works and post office, to name a few departments, all once dominated by whites, have been turned over to blacks.

The post office staff of 870 for example, was 74 per cent white in 1974. Only 46 whites, left by Pretoria as technical advisers to Transkei, remain making up five per cent of the post office staff, according to Postmaster Central Chris Maree, a white.

This development has been one of the basic arguments put forward by Pretoria as justification for the homelands. "Independence raises the standard of living and employment prospects and raises the (blacks) to status jobs. It's satisfaction of human aspirations," said Maree, who is now training a black Transkeian to take his place.

Other Transkeians are profiting from an artificial economic boom stimulated by the needs of an independent government. Construction of ministerial and presidential residences, a university, new office buildings and hospitals has been proceed-

ing at a lively pace over the past two years.

Despite some vestiges of South African rule, including two white-only schools in Umtata and white-only wards in the main hospitals, most forms of racial discrimination have disappeared. Interracial couples, some of whom moved into Transkei from South Africa at its independence, live without fear of the police harassment and prosecution that they were subjected to in South Africa.

Of the 10,000 whites in Transkei before independence, it is estimated that about 7,000 remain. Only 10 have been granted Transkeian citizenship and 20 more have applied for it, according to the Transkei Department of Interior. The rest have been made "honorary blacks."

J.R. Williamson, a chartered accountant, is one of the applicants for citizenship. He came to Transkei in 1956 when it was still officially part of South Africa.

"There are good schools and churches here, the atmosphere is pleasant, it's a Christian country," Williamson said. "All the Transkeians ask of me is my positive good faith and sympathy."

Both blacks and whites report that race relations are harmonious. "The whites have accepted (the changes), taken it normally, the right way," said black reporter Vuyani Mreyana. "They've shown that the heavens do not fall when things like this happen."

In Port St. Johns on Transkei's wild coast, a man who asked out to be named "because I want to stay here," said, when asked about changes, "well, we've got four young (black) men who work in the bank living across the street (in what used to be an all-white neighborhood). Fine blacks. Then we have a first-rate black magistrate and a black town clerk. But other than that, not much's changed, except the bridge was knocked out by the floods."

Another woman, a municipal employee, said she had only one complaint — "well, it's just that they're not litter-conscious yet."

The retreat of South Africa from sovereignty has permitted the Transkei government to give refuge to many ANC and PAC members who fled South Africa and to offer a place where criticism of South Africa can openly and freely be voiced, according to Koyana and other government officials.

"We have done more for the liberation of South Africa by creating a place where discussion can be free," said Lison Ntshongwao, an aide to the prime minister.

But one is free to criticize South Africa only so long as the Transkei government

doesn't get caught in the bar-

rage. "One can shout loud and clear about South Africa," said the Rev. Mcebisi Xundu, 45. "But one cannot shout loud and clear against the present government here." Xundu was detained for three months without charges by Matanzima's security police for his statements against homeland leaders like Matanzima at the funeral of black consciousness leader Steve Biko.

Another Transkeian, Cecil Vaoda, who holds a degree in business administration from Colorado University, was held without charges for eight months before finally being charged with possession of a banned book. He was later acquitted.



The countryside of the Transkei is still dotted with traditional huts.

"Transkei has re-enacted some of the more obnoxious laws of the Republic of South Africa," said black attorney and former politician Knowledge Guzana, referring to Transkei's law allowing indefinite detention without trial. The law is similar to South Africa's terrorism law.

Despite their rejection by the world and charges by their own Xhosa-speaking relatives who live outside Transkei that

they are "traitors" and "sell-jobs," Transkei government officials appear unperturbed at their predicament and optimistic that they will eventually win recognition. The recent visit of a representative of the Austrian Chamber of Commerce, which has close associations with the Austrian government, has given their confidence a boost.

Transkei deserves to be recognized, government officials say, because unlike the other

eight black homelands under the government's apartheid plan, Transkei was a bona fide nation dating from the 1890s. They maintain that their country was illegally annexed onto South African territory in the 1890s and that when the four provinces making up South Africa were joined in 1910, Britain should have made Transkei a protectorate as it did with the black areas of Lesotho, Swaziland and Botswana, all of which are now black

states and members of the United Nations.

One official, Finaoce Minister Tsapo Letlaka, said Transkei went about gaining independence the wrong way. What the country should have done, he said, was to "go over the border, grab 100 whites, including women and children, bring them back, call the press and shoot them. And we would be recognized because we would call ourselves revolutionaries. It's as simple as that." — (WP)

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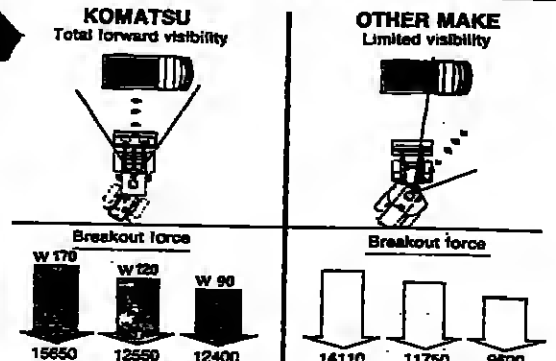
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## French labor absurdities

By Marcus Eliason

**PARIS** — Everybody seems happy at Lucien Bichet's ornaments factory. The workers like their boss, the plant earns a steady profit and has never known a strike. It's an island of peace in the battlefield of French labor relations.

Thus many Frenchmen would be astounded to learn that Bichet is going on trial September 29 on charges of breaking the country's labor laws. The idyll at Bichet's factory has served, ironically, to bring the government and the trade unions into an alliance.

One problem is that for the past nine months, while much of French industry is plagued by labor unrest, Bichet's 160 workers have been contentedly working a four-day week, 10 hours a day.

The law does not permit more than a nine-hour day. "We are 99 percent in favor," says one of the workers. "It gives us a three-day weekend."

My wife (who also works at the plant) does the housework on Friday, and we have Saturday and Sunday free. We save on babysitters for the children and have more time with them."

Bichet, 62, a jovial, white-haired Parisian, proposed the 10-hour, four-day week to his staff last year, saying it would save money on his sophisticated new machines, because the longer they operated each day, the less it cost in fuel.

Until then the staff had worked four nine-hour days a week, and four hours on Friday.

The workers voted to accept the arrangement. Then trouble started.

Labour inspectors accused Bichet of violating the 1936 law stipulating an eight-hour-a-day, five-day week.

Bichet replied that that law was written to protect workers from unscrupulous employers, not to deny workers what they

wanted. He claimed he had increased his staff 20 per cent under the new system and was receiving 30 job applications a month.

The unions were disinclined to support him. Employees of International Decor are not unionized. French unions are fighting for a 35-hour week, and apparently feel that Bichet's system is an obstacle at a critical time.

Inspectors began to get tough. In nine months Bichet accumulated 280 fines totalling 140,000 francs (about \$32,500). He refused to pay.

"I have done no wrong," he told reporters who visited the plant. "I have made my workers happy." The workers backed his argument.

Finally, he received a summons to appear in court September 29 on charges of violating the labor code and disregarding the inspectors' warnings. His employees have vowed to back him. — (AP)

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**B.C.**

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SEE JANE TAKE UMBRAGE AT DICK'S REMARK.

SEE THE INTERN ASK JANE HOW TO SPELL UMBRAGE.

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DO YOU WANT THEM TO DO SOMETHING AS STUPID?

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PRETTY GOOD.

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WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY FOR YOURSELF?

WELL... COME BACK, MOTOR MOUTH!

### Dennis the Menace

"THE LIVER TASTES LIKE ONIONS AND THE ONIONS TASTE LIKE LIVER... THAT'S WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT!"

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Last year's froth

5 Wolf of grandma's day

11 Faithful

12 Expand the lungs

13 Czech river

14 Sifted

15 Tennessee

16 Colloidal solution

17 Twilight

18 Food fancier

20 Method

21 Soil

22 Carry

23 Broom made of twigs

25 over (studied)

26 Catch sight of

27 Outer coat

28 Ending for counsel

29 New York river

32 Brown kiwi

33 Consume

34 Angling

35 Signing a contract

37 Supplication

38 Chain of mountains

39 Salt tree

40 Give heed

DOWN

1 Jockey

2 Caution

3 Warship's deck

4 Half a bray

5 11 loves company

6 Old-womanish

7 Haggard

8 Quarrel

9 Ennoble

10 Like the bride's mother

16 Pacific island

19 Surflet

22 Hue; tint

23 Grumpy

24 Iron curtain

25 Liquid measure

27 Republican in the wings

29 Sort

30 Golf score

31 Anesthetic

36 Amoy

37 and Fox Indians

Yesterday's Answer

1 A

2 B

3 C

4 D

5 E

6 F

7 G

8 H

9 I

10 J

11 K

12 L

13 M

14 N

15 O

16 P

17 Q

18 R

19 S

20 T

21 U

22 V

23 W

24 X

25 Y

26 Z

27 AA

28 AB

29 AC

30 AD

31 AE

32 AF

33 AG

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38 AL

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### Believe It or Not!

SARAH PIERCE

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Contract Bridge B. Jay Becker

### How Are Probabilities Computed?

North dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ A 8 5 4

♥ K 9 7 2

♦ K 10 5

WEST

♠ K 7

♥ J 10 9

♦ Q 10 4

♣ 9 7 5 3 2

EAST

♠ Q 9 8 6

♥ K 7 3 2

♦ J 8

♣ A 4

The bidding:

North East South West

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass

3 NT Pass 4 ♠

Opening lead—jack of hearts.

Dear Mr. Becker: Our group had a heated discussion about this deal where South was in four spades. Declarer took the heart lead in dummy with the ace, played a spade to the ace and a low spade back, won by West with the king. South later lost a spade trick to the queen and also a diamond trick, but he made four spades.

The disagreement revolved around the question of whether South played the spades correctly or was just lucky. Shouldn't he have finessed the spade ten at trick two? I realize he'd have gone down had he done this, but isn't that the winning play in the long run? Cordially yours, Constant Reader.

Dear C.R.: South played the hand correctly! Problems of this sort are subject to exact computation. Declarer's goal is to lose at most two tricks in trumps. He should start his thinking by eliminating from consideration all enemy spade holdings where the choice between playing the ten or the ace at trick two is immaterial. If the trumps are divided 3-3, declarer makes the contract by either method of play. If the trumps are divided 4-0 or 5-1, he cannot make the contract by any method of play. All these distributions can therefore be disregarded. So, the only pertinent cases are those where the trumps are divided 4-2 and West has the doubleton.

West's doubleton can be K-9, K-8, K-7, K-6, Q-9, Q-8, Q-7, Q-6 (in which case the ace play wins), or it can be 9-8, 9-7, 9-6, 8-7, 8-6, 7-6 (in which case the ten play wins). The only other possible doubleton, K-Q, is not relevant because either play wins.

Because there are eight cases where the ace play wins, and only six cases where the ten play wins, it is better to play the ace and continue with a low spade.

### ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

#### PRAYER TIMES

TUESDAY

	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Assr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	4:58	6:15	12:19	3:42	6:17	7:47
Medina	4:58	6:13	12:21	3:46	6:18	7:48
Nejd	4:28	5:46	11:50	3:14	5:47	7:17

#### DHAHRAN TV

3:30 Childrens Show	Mr. Rogers No. 1224, Zoom No. 432
5:00 Man from Atlantis	IMP
5:49 Jokers Wild	N.C. 493
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7:25 Baretta	Playin police
8:25 Second run Theater	Luv

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#### Afternoon Transmission

2:00 Opening

2:01 The Holy Quran

2:05 Gems of Guidance

2:10 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle

2:15 Music

2:30 On Islam

2:40 Under the Limelight

2:50 Reflections on Fasting

2:55 Music

3:00 NEWS

3:10 Press Review

3:15 Music

3:20 Music — Machine

3:30 Close Down

#### Evening Transmission

10:00 Opening

10:01 The Holy Quran

10:05 Reflections on Fasting

10:10 Light Music

10:15 NEWS

10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle

10:30 Selection of Music

11:00 World of Machine

11:10 Press Review

11:15 The Stevie Wonder Story

11:45 Eminent Saudi Arabians

12:00 Islamic Contributions

12:15 In the Quiet

12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams

12:59 Close Down

### BBC

#### Morning Transmission

7:00 Newswatch

7:30 Nature Notebook

7:45 Financial News

7:55 Reflections

8:00 World News

8:09 "Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary"

8:30 "Sarah Ward"

8:45 World Today

9:00 Newswatch

9:30 "Opera Star"

10:00 World News

10:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary

10:30 "Sarah Ward"

10:45 "Rescued in Time"

11:00 World News

11:09 Reflections

11:15 Piano Style

11:30 Brain of Britain 1978

12:00 World News

12:09 British Press Review

12:15 World Today

12:30 Financial News

12:40 Look Ahead

12:45 The Tony Myatt Request Show

#### Afternoon Transmission

1:15 Ulster in Focus

1:30 Discovery

2:00 World News

2:09 News about Britain

2:15 Alphabet of

Musical Curios

2:30 Sports International

3:00 Radio Newswatch

3:15 Promenade Concert

3:45 Sports Round-up

4:00 World News

4:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary

#### Evening Transmission

4:30 The Pleasure's Yours

5:15 Report on Religion

6:00 Radio Newswatch

6:15 "Outlook"

7:00 World News

7:09 Commentary

7:15 "Lord Peter Wimsey: The Five Red Herring"

7:45 World Today

8:00 World News

8:09 "Books and Writers"

8:30 "Take One"

8:45 Sports Round-up

9:00 World News

9:09 News about Britain

9:15 Radio Newswatch

9:30 Promenade Concert

10:00 Outlook: News Summary

10:39 Stock Market Report

10:49 Look Ahead

10:45 Ulster in Focus

11:00 World News

11:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary

11:30 The Pleasure's Yours

#### Midnight Transmission

12:15 Talkabout

12:45 Nature Notebook

1:00 World News

1:09 World Today

1:25 Financial News

1:35 Book Choice

1:40 Reflections

1:45 Sports Round-up

2:00 World News

2:09 Commentary

2:15 The Face of England

6:00 World News

6:09 News about Britain

6:15 World Today

6:30 "Frank Muir goes into..."

### Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1978

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 20) ♈

An excellent period in which to establish the basis for a more settled way of life. Plan all moves wisely and with future security in mind.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 to May 21) ♉

If you expect too much, day may prove disappointing. Keeping your objectives within reasonable bounds, however — and working toward them only — will be your winning ticket.

GEMINI (May 22 to June 21) ♊

Opposition to your ideas could cause some indecisiveness but, if you're sure you're on the right track, go ahead as planned.

CANCER (June 22 to July 23) ♋

Attempts to alleviate an economic situation should be most successful now. The resources of another may even be put at your disposal.

LEO (July 24 to Aug. 23) ♌

Confusion could result if you misinterpret instructions, miscalculate in any way. A day for checking ALL situations.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 to Sept. 23) ♍

Financial matters favored especially in the a.m. On the personal score, however,

you may run into a bit of difficulty in a romantic situation.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 to Oct. 23) ♎

This could be a livelier day than anticipated but YOU can meet all situations with grace and agility. Romance favored.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 to Nov. 23) ♏

A top performance needs only your good management and will power — rarely found wanting in your sign. Don't and, above all, don't underestimate minor gains.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 to Dec. 21) ♐

Some intriguing situations are indicated, but certain "dull" matters will require attention nevertheless. Attack with determination and a realistic point of view.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) ♑

An appropriate time for reservation. Make sure of all precedents. Review precedents and experiences of others for enlightenment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) ♒

A fine outlook. Avoid the unconventional, hasty or erratic, however. You have a real opportunity to achieve; don't spoil it through indifference or sporadic effort.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) ♓

You must realize your limitations, of course, but DO strive to widen your boundaries, broaden your horizons. Your imagination is at a peak now.

### WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:

The weather will start getting moderate over most parts of the Kingdom, while the western and southwestern highlands will have a pleasant weather with a concentration of rain clouds over them. Surface winds will blow northerly to northeasterly at moderate speed.

Sea conditions will be medium in the territorial waters. Monday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

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### VOA

#### P.M.

8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analyses

8:30 Dateline

9:00 Special English: News: Feature: The Making of a Nation

9:30 Music USA: (Standards)

10:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities

10:15 Opinion: Analyses

#### News Summary

10:30 VOA Magazine: America: Science: Cultural: Letter.

11:00 Special English: News

11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)

#### VOA WORLD REPORT

Midnight

12:00 News... newsmakers' voices... correspondents reports... background features... media comments... news analyses.



## Second straight

## Dodgers clinch NL West title

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 25 (AP) — Steve Garvey drove in three runs with a double and two singles and Bob Welch fired a five-hitter as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the San Diego Padres, 4-0, Sunday to clinch their second straight National League West championship.

**Yankees 4, Indians 0**  
In the American League East pennant race, New York retained its one-game lead over Boston. New York's Ron Guidry fired a two-hitter for a club-record ninth shutout of the year, pacing the Yankees to a 4-0 victory over the Cleveland Indians and erasing the memory of Saturday night's 10-1 clobbering at Cleveland's hands.

**Red Sox 7, Blue Jays 6**  
It took Boston 14 innings to edge last place Toronto. Roy Howell's two-out throwing error in the 14th allowed Jim Rice to score from third, giving the Red Sox a 7-6 victory.

**Phillies 8, Mets 2**  
In the NL East division, Philadelphia increased its lead over second-place Pittsburgh to four games. Tim McCarver hit his first home run of the season, a

three-run blast, and Bake McBride smashed a solo homer to back the strong pitching of Steve Carlton as the Phillies defeated the Mets, 8-2, for their fourth straight victory.

**Expos 4, Pirates 0**  
But in Montreal, rookie Scott Sanderson fired a three-hitter and the Expos scored three first-inning runs to blank the Pirates, 4-0.

**Twins 6, Royals 4**  
In Minnesota, Al West leader Kansas City dropped a game as Dan Ford's sixth-inning home run snapped a tie and helped the Twins to a 6-4 victory.

## Cosmos to field Cruyff before a London crowd

LONDON, Sept. 25 (AP) — The touring New York Cosmos soccer team has added Dutch superstar Johan Cruyff to its team to play Chelsea here Tuesday.

The North American Soccer League champion is making its only appearance in Britain as part of an extensive European tour.

In addition to Cruyff, who will play for nothing to help debt-ridden Chelsea — which has struggled financially since building a giant new grandstand — the Cosmos will field

ing home run snapped a tie and helped the Twins to a 6-4 victory.

**Angels 7, White Sox 3**  
Second-place California's Don Baylor a tie-breaking home run touched off a five-run, sixth-inning rally and carried the heavy-hearted Angels to a 7-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

**Brewers 5, A's 2**  
Milwaukee's Mike Caldwell recorded his 21st victory and Robin Yount and Jim Wohl-

ford drove in two runs apiece, leading the Brewers to a 5-2 victory over the Oakland A's.

**Giants 6-4, Astros 0-4**  
Stout pitching by Vida Blue and Jim Barr carried the San Francisco giants to a 6-0, 6-4 doubleheader sweep of the Houston Astros.

**Blue, 18-9**, scattered eight hits and pitched his fourth shutout of the season in the opener as Darrell Evans and Heidy Cruz belted two-run homers.

**Tigers 4, Orioles 2**  
Aurelio Rodriguez and Alan Trammell singled to drive in ninth-inning runs and the Detroit Tigers defeated the Baltimore Orioles, 4-2, on four unearned runs.

**Reds 2, Braves 1**  
In the NL, Tom Hume fired a three-hitter and George Foster scored both runs as the Cincinnati Reds nipped the Atlanta Braves and Jim Bouton, 2-1.

**Cubs 5, Cardinals 4**  
Bill Buckner and Larry Bittner drilled run-scoring singles in the ninth inning to lift the Chicago Cubs to a 5-4 triumph over the St. Louis Cardinals.



**GOLDEN MILE:** Britain's Steve Ovett seen winning the 1500-meter gold at the Prague European championships last month, showed Monday he is also supreme over the mile.

## Kenyan falls out

## Ovett captures 'Golden Mile'

TOKYO, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — Steve Ovett of Britain confirmed his position as the world's top miler when he streaked to victory in the 'Dubai Golden Mile' at an eight nation athletics meeting here Monday.

Ovett, the European and world cup athletics champion at 1500 meters, played his usual waiting game before bursting away in the final stages to win in three minutes 55.5 seconds.

Second was Francis Gonzalez of France, win 3:57.3, with another Briton, Graham Williamson, third in 3:59.2.

Kenya's Henry Rono, holder of four world records in the 10,000, 5,000, 3,000 and 3,000 meters steeplechase, took a commanding lead in first lap but was forced to drop out half way though while still in front.

Rono, who has had a punishing season, said afterwards he had been suffering from a glandular complaint.

"The doctor told me it was OK to run but after one lap it

began to affect me. I tried to go on but had to give up," Rono said.

New Zealand's Rod Dixon took over from Rono, trailed by Ovett and Gonzalez.

With about 300 meters left Ovett changed gear to cruise smoothly to victory.

It was always a tactical race, with Ovett determined to win rather than burn himself on the world mile record of 3:49.4 set by New Zealand's John Walker in Gothenburg, Sweden in 1975.

Ovett, 22, who recently broke the British mile record in Oslo in 3:52.8, said he would "have liked someone to have pushed me faster during the race."

But he added he was tired before the race because of the 16-hour flight from London and then "I just felt so tired throughout the race. It must have been humidity. At times I could hardly breathe."

Ovett received a gold trophy, valued at \$9,500, which will be

up for challenge every year.

Otherwise, the Soviet Union dominated the meet Monday. Sedikh Uryi threw the hammer 74.44 meters on his third try Monday, beating Italy's Paolo by more than two meters for the first gold medal.

## Champ evicted by lawnmower

BAGUIO, Philippines, Sept. 25 (R) — World Chess champion Anatoly Karpov Monday moved out of his luxury hotel because of a noisy power lawnmower clipping the hotel's golf green.

He shifted his luggage to a country club in the depths of a forest.

Karpov, a late sleeper who goes to bed around dawn, is showing tiredness in the grueling 10-week-old battle to retain his world crown.

He leads by four to two against challenger Viktor Korchnoi.

## At Napa

## Watson coasts to 9th win of year

NAPA, California, Sept. 25 (AP) — Tom Watson, playing on the course where he launched his professional golf career seven years ago, shot into the lead with an eagle on the fifth hole Sunday and coasted to his ninth tournament title of the year with a final-round 67 in Napa's \$200,000 tour event.

The 29-year-old Watson led by six strokes after posting his fifth birdie of the day at the 15th hole, took his second bogey at the 16th and parred the final two holes to finish with a 72-hole total of 270, three strokes ahead of Ed Sneed, who closed with a 70.

Watson was under 70 all four rounds of the tournament at the Silverado Country Club. His 270 total was one over the tournament record set by 1971 winner Billy Casper.

Watson received a \$40,000 first-place check after Sunday's round over Silverado's 6,870-yard, par-72 course.

He increased his 1978 tour earnings to \$343,429, virtually assuring himself of a second consecutive money-winning title, and he has won \$1,162,391 since starting the tour with NAPA's 1971 tournament.

Watson, who won \$310,000 on the tour last year, has already put together the most valuable consecutive seasons.

With a good finish in next weekend's \$300,000 World Series of Golf in Akron, Ohio, he could break Johnny Miller's PGA single-season record of \$353,021.

On the women's tour Sunday, Donna Caponi Young sank a 25-foot birdie putt on the third hole of a sudden-death playoff and teammate Kathy Whitworth won the \$100,000 Ladies Professional Golf Association team championship.

## Yet another lawsuit filed in New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana, Sept. 25 (AP) — Fight promoter Bob Arum says a \$15 million lawsuit alleging that he slandered two partners in promoting the Ali-Spinks fight is nothing more than a "sick joke."

Arum, head of the boxing promotion firm Top Rank Inc., said Sunday night that the suit was meant to distract attention from an FBI probe into the finances of the fight.

It is the second damage suit to emerge from verbal duels that preceded and followed Ali's Sept. 15 victory.

Sherman Copelin and Don Hubbard, principals of Louisiana Sports Inc., claim that Bob Arum of Top Rank slandered and humiliated them and their wives and cost them future business.

Arum admitted calling the two "boodums" and "dangerous people," which the suit charged was slander "but I

really can't regard it as anything more than just a sick joke. My contention is that that's fair comment and there's a legal defense which is known as truth. I stand by exactly what I said," Arum said.

The "real target" of the suit was "what the FBI might uncover," he said.

The suit further said Arum charged that the two had diverted funds from Louisiana Sports and pocketed some of the proceeds of ticket sales.

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● **BUENOS AIRES**, — Bjorn Borg of Sweden completely overwhelmed Argentina's young Jose Luis Clerc 6-1, 6-1 Sunday night in the third match of an international tournament here. Crowd expectations ran high as the fast-rising local star faced Borg, a three-time Wimbledon champion. But right from the start, Borg demonstrated a power and precision tennis that completely overwhelmed his 20-year-old opponent.

● **LOS ANGELES**, (AP) — Second-seeded Brian Gottfried and seventh-seeded Arthur Ashe scored semifinal victories Sunday in a \$200,000 men's tennis tournament at UCLA's Pauley Pavilion. They were to play for a first prize of \$30,000 in the finals Monday night.

● **SOMERSET**, New Jersey, (AP) — The United States Olympic Committee's executive board voted Sunday to approve the contracts between the city of Los Angeles and International Olympic Committee for staging the 1984 Olympic Games.

● **ATLANTA**, Georgia, (AP) — Australian tennis star Evonne Coolidge, Cawley, Chris Evert and Wimbledon champion Martina Navratilova are scheduled to play in a \$10,000 women's tennis classic here this week.

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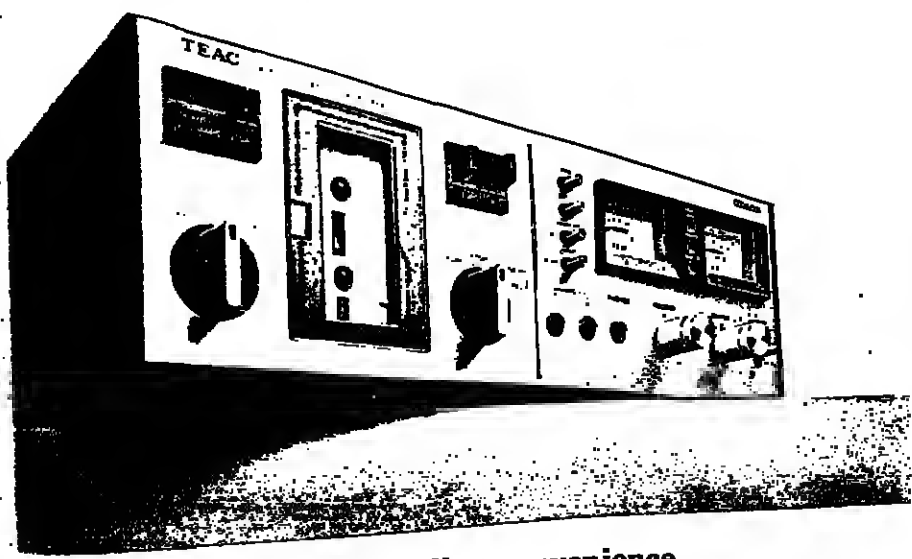
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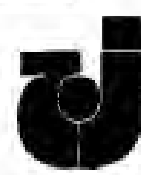
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## Implicated in Buback murder

## Jailed woman named as German terrorist

DORTMUND, Sept. 25 (R) — A woman captured after a gun-battle with police in a Dortmund wood was identified Monday as Angelika Speitel, 26, one of West Germany's most wanted terrorist suspects.

She is believed to have planned the escape route for the murderers of Federal Prosecutor Siegfried Buback in April last year.

Mrs. Speitel was caught Saturday after being wounded in a clash in which a policeman was shot dead.

Police said she had been po-

sitively identified by people who visited her Monday in hospital.

The delay in identification arose because police had no fingerprints.

Mrs. Speitel is also suspected of involvement in last year's murder of kidnapped industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer.

Her husband Volker was arrested on a train near Bremen last October and has been charged with membership of a criminal organization.

A second terrorist suspect captured with Mrs. Speitel was

identified Saturday as Michael Knoll, 27. He lay critically ill in hospital Monday, wounded during the battle.

A warrant for his arrest was issued on Friday after police found his fingerprints in a terrorist hide-out in Düsseldorf. Not counted among the hardcore, he was wanted for membership of a criminal organization.

A third terrorist suspect escaped in the battle which broke out when a police patrol car surprised the group having shooting practice.

They had been tipped off by

a resident who heard shooting in a wood south of the city. Swiss and Austrian passports were found on the two captured suspects.

Knoll had passports in the name of Friedrich Stenzel of Innsbruck and Martin Hecker of Zurich.

Mrs. Speitel had a passport describing her as Bettina Koch of Zurich.

Mrs. Speitel is the first hardcore terrorist suspect captured alive in West Germany since the arrest of Siegfried Haag in November 1976. Haag went on trial in Stuttgart Monday charged with masterminding a raid on the West German embassy in Stockholm in 1975.

Arrests of most terrorists over the last two years have taken place in other European countries, from Bulgaria to Britain.

On Sept. 6, police in Düsseldorf shot dead Willy Peter Stoll, one of the gang's central figures. Mrs. Speitel is known to have been a companion of Stoll.

Despite the recent successes, police are predicting an imminent terrorist attack.

## Chicago action could stampede interest rates

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (AP) — What could be the latest round of prime rate rises began Monday when First National Bank of Chicago, the eighth-largest U.S. commercial bank, boosted the interest rate it charges preferred corporate customers to 9 1/2 percent from 9 1/4 percent.

It was the third increase in less than a month and the eighth this year. The prime rate stood at 7 1/2 percent on Jan. 1.

The move follows another round of U.S. Federal Reserve interest rate hikes. The Fed moved late last week to raise the discount rate from 7 1/2 percent to 8 percent.



FRONT: Police were out in force in London Sunday to prevent clashes between the National Front, marching here with flags, and leftist demonstrators.

## In Najaf, Iraq

## Emigres say Iranian Ayatollah is virtually under house arrest

PARIS, Sept. 25 (R) — court minister's post for the last year, since being sacked from the premiership, said he was stepping down to be ready for "later political activity."

## Leaders cable Khaled

RIYADH, Sept. 25 — King Khaled Monday received more cables from world leaders congratulating him on National Day.

Crown Prince Fahd, who is deputizing for the King in his absence, replied. Those who sent messages included King Juan Carlos, President Anwar Sadat, King Hassan II, Giscard d'Estaing, President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan, Sultan Qaboos of Oman, the deputy commander in chief of Mauritius, the president of Cape Verde Islands.

They said Dr. Ardalan, 77, was scheduled to be formally appointed by the Shah Tuesday to replace ex-Premier Amir Athab Hoveyda, who resigned during the recent political crisis.

Hoveyda, who had held the

was stepping down to be ready for "later political activity."

Dr. Ardalan, a veteran diplomat of Kurdish origin, held several ambassadorial posts.

He was foreign minister in the 1950's but has been out of public life for more than a decade.

Also Monday, the Rastakiz Party ended its life as the country's only political group, but Javad Saeed, newly-elected secretary-general, denied reports that it was being dissolved.

Its board has agreed that groups could split off to form other parties, as one has already done, in preparation for Majlis elections scheduled next June — three months after the present six-month martial law is due to be lifted.

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### Vance

Palestinian people's right to set up their own independent state and exercise sovereignty over national territory.

The Camp David accords ignored Arab rights to the recovery of occupied territory and Israeli withdrawal from it, he said.

The sources said that during the talks, which were also attended by Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam, Vance presented the American viewpoint on the agreements and replied to questions put by Assad.

Assad told Vance that Syria's objective would continue to be peace on the basis of U.N. resolution 338, which Syria saw as providing for Israel's full withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and the recovery of all Palestinian rights. What happened at Camp David was inconsistent with resolution 338 and therefore ran

against the peace objectives Assad said. But Vance said Assad agreed that the Syrian and dialogue should continue cause "of the shared hope accomplishing a just peace in the area."

Also Kuwait has informed the United States that a peace cannot be achieved "if it does not include Syria and if it ignored the rights of the Palestinians to self-determination."

### Phalangists

densely-populated area high ground in the east of the city.

The ADF said its position had been attacked with tanks and heavy machines Sunday night, but the fire had been silenced.

The latest clashes started the weekend, minutes President Elias Sarkis broadcast an emotional appeal an end to the violence.

### Begin

ter. I will not only not my anguish, but I will express it in every language that express emotion...

"With a painful and ing heart, but with a conscience, I choose to recommend abandoning the settlements." Begin said.

### 140 killed

A navy flight surgeon said he saw the collision "They hit head-on. It was unbelievable." After the crash, the 727 went into a tailspin, "what we call a yard spin in the navy will other plane trailing after

## Liverpool fame fails to intimidate manager

By a Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, Sept. 25 — "They are the strongest club side in the world", Saudi national team manager Ronnie Allen said Monday of Liverpool, his opponents next week. "But we will be relaxed. There will be no pressure, as nobody expects us to win."

Allen, former manager of first division West Bromwich Albion, was not making predictions about his claim, previously scheduled for next Tuesday here.

But he had no doubts his team after a successful touring season. "The squad is improving daily—in balance, technical skills and team play. The Liverpool game will give us valuable experience."

Liverpool will be fielding a first team that has made a spectacular start to the English soccer season. It has not lost a League match to date drawing.

last Saturday against WBA, and Allen doubts that the fast Astroturf surface of the Jeddah stadium will upset so adaptable a side.

Allen has two main worries. Because his players are amateurs and up to last week had league commitments, it has been difficult to bring them together for training. A session at Jeddah stadium Monday was the squad's first since July.

A Moroccan selection is expected to arrive this week to play the Saudi team, but that has not yet been confirmed.

Allen will probably not know the team he will field until the morning of the match. As the players began arriving Monday from clubs in Riyadh and Dammam, Allen still had no idea of the fitness tally. "Injuries really expose the lack of depth in Saudi football talent, he said.

Because of the English League fixtures, Liverpool will not stay more than three days



Manager Ronnie Allen

and the Jeddah match is the only one scheduled. But the English club is sending a youth team for a friendly against the Saudi under-19s Wednesday or Thursday of this week.

Allen arrived in the Kingdom at the beginning of January to prepare the Saudi team for the Gulf Games, which will be held in Baghdad next March. Though Kuwait is considered a strong favorite, Allen was confident.

"We have nothing to fear at the Games"



SAUDI SQUAD: After a scrimmage, the Saudi national players posed for 'Arab News'. From left to right they are: Saleh Naima, Majed Abdullah, Yusuf Khamis, Issa Hamdan, Salim Marwan, Ibrahim Mariki, Anba Jasim, Ahmad Saqr (injured). Seated: Tewfik Al-Miqren, Saleh Khalifa, Fahd Habshi, Ibrahim Tahsin, Sulhan Nasib, Miftah Qarib, Saud Jasim, Issa Khalifa.

## Commission says Indira's son rejected role in corrupt deal

NEW DELHI, Sept. 25 (Agencies) — A government commission stated Monday that former Defense Minister Bansi Lal tried unsuccessfully to involve the elder son of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in a plan to purchase two Boeing 737 aircraft, the United News of India reported.

The commission in a report as yet unreleased said there were insufficient grounds for corruption charges against Lal, who had been one of Mrs. Gandhi's closest advisers. The former defense mi-

nister faces charges in several other cases.

UNI said the report was expected to be made public this week.

India's Defense Ministry in the end decided not to buy the U.S. plane, preferring to continue using the Soviet-built TU-124 jetliner for official flights by state leaders.

The inquiry, headed by Justice P.J. Reddy, said Rajiv Gandhi, Mrs. Gandhi's son and a domestic airlines pilot, was brought into the discussion on the Boeing 737 because officials wanted him to intercede on their behalf with

his mother.

"It is to the credit of Mr. Rajiv Gandhi that he was not willing to be drawn into this affair," UNI quoted Reddy as saying.

Boeing sales agents in India are standing trial in Bombay for allegedly making payoffs in connection with sales to Air India and Indian Airlines.

In Karnataka, Monday the Indira Congress Party of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi gained a seat from the Janata Party in a by-election to the assembly of the south Indian state of Karnataka.

## Von Manteuffel dies at 81; Battle of Bulge commander

INNSBRUCK, Sept. 25 (AP) — Hasso von Manteuffel, the German general who briefly turned the tide of World War II when his tanks drove a 50-mile wedge into allied lines during the 1944 Battle of the Bulge, died Sunday while on vacation in the Austrian Tyrol of a heart attack at 81.

He commanded the 5th tank army in the ill-fated Ardennes push launched Dec. 16, 1944. It reached within four miles of the River Meuse before the offensive collapsed.

A quarter-century later, Manteuffel acknowledged that Hitler's strategic concept had been good in principle but that the Germans lacked the means to carry it out at that late stage.

By his own account, Manteuffel had tried to persuade Hitler to limit his plans to a "little slam," but Hitler decided on a "grand slam" that would thrust into Luxembourg and Belgium through the thinly defended Ardennes.

"He thought that, if they suffered a serious setback, the Britons and Americans would squabble, and before they could reach a political agreement, we already would be in Brussels and Antwerp," Manteuffel said.

"He didn't realize that Eisenhower did not require a political decision before reacting."

Manteuffel's troops fought in the two major encounters of the battle, at St. Vith and at Bastogne, which was surrounded but not captured. The German offensive folded as their supply system broke down, improved weather allowed the Allies to reassert their air superiority and, by Jan. 16, the counter-attacking U.S. 1st and 3rd Armies had linked to close

the Bulge. The month-long battle cost the allies almost 8,000 casualties and the Germans 100,000.

A January 1944 order for the execution of an insubordinate soldier brought Manteuffel an 18-month jail term 15 years later and the loss of his general's pension.

He served in the Bundestag for three years in the 1950s. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter.

## Gold shoots up

## Dollar hits skid row

LONDON, Sept. 25 (R) — The battered dollar Monday produced two records—it plunged below 1.50 Swiss francs for the first time and sent the price of gold shooting to new heights.

The currency slumped to 1.4995 francs on the London foreign exchange markets Monday afternoon and within minutes it had retreated even further to 1.4885 francs. The dollar has now lost nearly 25 percent of its value against the Swiss franc since the beginning of this year.

It's fall sent gold to a record \$218.40 an ounce. It had only Monday morning established a record by climbing to \$216.65 an ounce on the London bullion market, but that mark fell in the afternoon trading.

The dollar has taken a severe beating on the world's foreign exchange markets this summer. Its depreciation became so serious last month that U.S. authorities were forced to intervene with support measures. But the effect seems to have worn off and the U.S. currency has resumed its downward spiral.

In London, it took \$1.97445 to buy one pound late Monday

compared to \$1.9710 late Friday.

This was a slight improvement for the pound despite a strike against Ford of Britain. All 23 of Ford's plants are expected to be idle by Tuesday.

In Tokyo, which ends its business day as European markets are opening, the dollar edged up slightly against the Japanese yen. It closed at 187.825 yen, up from 187.60 yen at Friday's close.

Dealers cited the situation in the Middle East after the Camp David summit as a major factor for the dollar's general depreciation.

"The framework for peace is splitting at the seams," commented a London trader.

The dollar's weakness late in the day in Europe helped push up the price of gold, a traditional hedge for an investor in times of monetary uncertainty.

It closed in London at an all-time high of \$220.25 a troy ounce, up \$5.875 from Friday's close of \$214.375 and the record fixing price Monday afternoon of \$218.40.

In Zurich, Europe's major bullion market, gold ended the day at \$219.375, up \$5.25 from \$214.125 at Friday's close.

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